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## Murray Says Anti-Lewis Suit Perils All Labor

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Philip Murray, president of the CIO, today declared all organized labor was put in peril by the suit filed today in Federal District Court by Robert N. Denham, NLRB general counsel, for a temporary injunction against John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers.

Murray asked CIO general counsel Arthur Goldberg to give Lewis "all possible assistance." His statement accused Denham of "challenging the legitimate interests of all organized labor."

UMW sources said Murray's offer would be accepted by the mine union's legal staff.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 18.—Westinghouse workers here called "upon all labor to demonstrate with a one-day protest stoppage if the coal barons and the Truman Administration threaten to use the Taft-Hartley act against them."

The resolution, passed at an earlier meeting of Local 601, United Electrical Union, was reaffirmed Sunday with 2,000 workers present.

"The miners' union," declared the resolution, "has been leading the way in the fight for pensions, insurance, wages and a shorter work week. It is obvious that the employers are ganging up on them and that they are prepared to use the Taft-Hartley act with

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all its strikebreaking devices against them. We, members of UE Local 601, appreciate the fight the miners are putting up and we recognize that it helps us in our fight against the electrical corporations and we offer whatever support we can give to the miners and we call upon all labor to demonstrate with a one day protest stoppage if the coal barons and the Truman Administration threaten to use the Taft-Hartley act against them."

ERIE, Pa., Jan. 18.—Affiliates of both right and left unions of the CIO and of the United Electrical Workers joined hands here in a united front in support of the coal miners.

Participants in a joint call of support for the miners  
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# DEMOS CLEAR WAY TO KILL FEPC

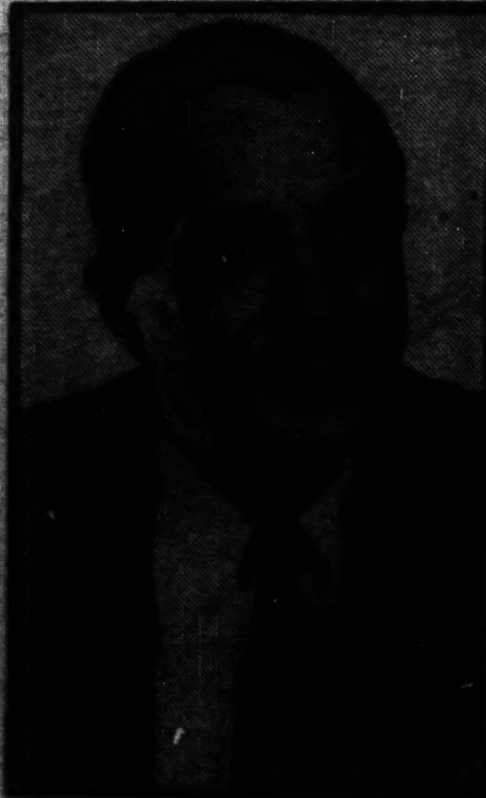
## Marc Plans Move to Save Bill

By Rob F. Hall

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—House administration leaders will call up for a vote Friday the Cox resolution repealing the 21-day rule, Speaker Sam Rayburn (D-Texas) revealed today. If this resolution is adopted, as most observers expect, it will preclude House consideration on Monday of the Powell FEPC bill. Sponsors of the bill planned to use the 21-day rule to force the fair employment measure to the floor. "This is a deliberate, wilful sellout by the Truman Administration," Rep. Vito Marcantonio (ALP - NY) told newsmen. "It proves they don't want FEPC."

The New York Congressman provided one glimmer of hope for FEPC, however. He said Friday he will introduce a resolution to adjourn immediately upon the convening of the House. A motion to adjourn is privileged. If all sincere supporters of FEPC will vote for his motion, Marcantonio said, it will still be possible to bring FEPC to the floor on Monday, operating under the 21-day rule.

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MARCANTONIO

## DO IT NOW!

We urge you to wire your Congressman NOW to oppose the Cox resolution by supporting Rep. Marcantonio's move to adjourn Friday's session.

Also tell your Congressman to VOTE FOR the Powell anti-Jimcrow bill on Monday.

Promises by the White House don't mean a thing without pressure on Congress from the White House. Urge President Truman to crack the whip. He can pass the Powell bill if he wants to.

## Federal, State Aides Back O'D Relief Cuts

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# The Story of Landlord Medina and His Partner

## 2. The Friend in City Hall

By ART SHIELDS

In 1926, Harold R. Medina, then 38 years old, acquired a new law partner, who was to help direct the police attacks against the jobless tenants and their Communist leaders.

The new partner was also to attract the favorable notice of the World's No. One fascist of the 1920's—Benito Mussolini.

The activities of this new partner against the Communists tended to protect the economic interests of the future judge as a big landlord. And these activities furnish an additional reason why Judge Medina should have disqualified himself at the trial of the Communist leaders last summer.

With the addition of this new partner the firm of Medina & Sherpick of 165 Broadway became the firm of Medina, Sherpick & McKee.

The newcomer was Joseph V. McKee, at that time the President of the Board of Aldermen of New York.

Medina remained the senior partner of this thriving law firm. But McKee, with his powerful position in the city government, was a big business asset.

Medina's new partner, McKee, remained the No. Two man in the city government for seven years during the regime of the grafting playboy, Jimmie Walker.

He often sat in as Acting Mayor, in charge of the police, when Jimmie was playing not wisely but too well. He held that powerful post for four months at the height of the eviction crisis in 1932, when Jimmie resigned in a graft expose.

Since 1930 the members of the firm of Medina, Sherpick & McKee had reason to be much concerned about the popular struggle against evictions, which the Communists were leading.



McKee Gets Medal from Il Duce's Consul

The members of Medina's firm had acquired their interests by then in a group of tenement houses in the Yorkville section of Manhattan's Upper East Side, in a \$1,000,000 lawsuit in which they took part.

And many of their tenants were becoming the victims of eviction proceedings.

And when Medina's fellow landlord and partner, Joseph V. McKee, used city police against the jobless tenants' movement and its Communist leaders he was fighting for Medina as well as for himself.

The police attacks launched by Walker and McKee were exceedingly bitter. Scores of workers were beaten up by city cops during house to house struggles against evictions. Communist leaders were slugged and railroaded to prison. And Union Square and City Hall itself were literally splashed with blood from policemen's clubs, when

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#### A SERIOUS PROBLEM.

BY JOSEPH V. MCKEE, A.M.

O the Catholic, education is a subject of vital importance to the Catholic, or whose children constitute seventy and five-tenths per cent. The Jewish race constitutes a little over one million, or about twenty-five per cent. This is a ratio of three Christians to one Jew. Yet when we examine the enrollment of our city high schools, we find that less than twenty-five per cent are Christians—that more than seventy-five per cent are of Jewish stock. Although the Jewish people are in such a minority, their children possess an overwhelming majority in our high schools. This means that the children of the Jewish race are to be eager to receive knowledge? After the election last November a composition, entitled "Why I Like the Election," was given to five classes totaling about one hundred and fifty boys. On examining the papers, the writer found that over ninety per cent of these students rejoiced particularly in one thing—the election to Congress of the Socialist, Meyer London. These were pupils drawn

Whatever hold the teachings of Zionism had upon these people is lost when the children learn English. The obligations of the orthodox Judaism of their fathers and mothers, prove irksome in the competition for material advancement, and are soon laid aside. The influence of religion, consequently, is a negligible factor in shaping their thoughts and actions. In oral discussions on such topics as "Is Lying Justifiable?" or "Is It Wrong to Cheat?" their words constantly show that they recognize no code of morals, and are governed by no motives higher than those originating from fear of detection and consequent loss in money. Surely we cannot look for ideal results from such material.

Joseph McKee's attacks on the Jewish people, published in the "Catholic World" (above), brought about his defeat in the mayoralty election.

hungry men and women were demonstrating against starvation and evictions.

And it is obvious that the future judge and his fellow landlord had a lot of ideas in common as they talked things over in their offices while the newspapers were headlining the latest police attack.

McKee became the No. 2 man in the city administration through the influence of the bankers and "Boss" Edward F. Flynn, the Democratic leader.

With Medina's help he almost won the title of Mayor when Walker quit in the graft scandal of 1932. Medina put up a hard fight in the courts to have McKee sworn in for the rest of Walker's term. But the State Court of Appeals said no. So the third member of Medina's law firm was only Acting Mayor for four months—with full charge of the cops, however.

Medina's partner was knocked out of political life for many years in 1933 when he was defeated by the late Fiorello LaGuardia in a Mayoralty election.

McKee tried to save himself by wild, red-baiting attacks on LaGuardia. He called LaGuardia a "Socialist" and a "Communist" too. But a majority of the voters rejected McKee when his anti-Semitic record came out.

Boss Flynn admitted in his

book—You're the Boss—that in a signed article McKee had once written about how the Jewish people brought about his defeat.

McKee's anti-Semitic article had appeared in the Catholic World when he was a teacher in DeWitt Clinton High School in New York.

McKee called the young Jews "liars" and "cheats." He slanderously asserted that they had no "code of morals." And he angrily denounced the Jewish youths in his classes at DeWitt Clinton High School as "Socialists." "In overwhelming numbers," he said, "these students are Socialists or Socialists in the making, whose ambition is the furtherance of Socialist dogma."

I don't know whether Benito Mussolini read this vicious fascist article or not. But some years later, on June 12, 1928, after the author had become a partner of Harold R. Medina, a group of portly men were sitting outside of the Aldermanic chamber.

The delegation was led by Mussolini's Consul General in New York, the Commendatore Grazi.

The Tammany aldermen were flattered. . . . This wasn't a delegation of evicted tenants, you see. Nor was it led by Communists. It was led by the New

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THIS INDENTURE, made the tenth day of June nineteen hundred and thirty-five, between JOSEPH V. MCKEE and CONNELIA KRAFT MCKEE, his wife, residing at 960 Grand Concourse, Bronx, New York City, New York, parties of the first part, and HAROLD R. MEDINA, residing at 14 East 75th Street, Borough of Manhattan, City, County and State of New York and EUGENE A. SHERPICK, residing at 14 Woods Lane, Scarsdale, County of Westchester, State of New York, parties of the second part: WITNESSETH that the parties of the first part in consideration of One Dollar (\$1.00) lawful money of the United States, and other good and valuable considerations, paid by the parties of the second part do hereby remise, release and quitclaim unto the parties of the

eight certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate lying and being in the City County and State aforesaid, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at the point or place of beginning, said premises being known as Nos. 225, 227, 229, 231, 233, 235, 237 and 239 East Seventy-fourth Street, together with all and singular the tenements, appurtenances and appurtenances thereto belonging or in any

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written. JOSEPH V. MCKEE CONNELIA KRAFT MCKEE In presence of: STATE OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF NEW YORK SS: On the 10th day of June nineteen hundred and thirty-five, before me

Papers Transferring McKee's Tenement Holdings to Medina



# Charleston Judge's Wife Defies KKK Threats

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 18. — "There is a new look not in the skirts, but in the eyes of the Negro women I pass on the streets and meet in the homes," Mrs. J. Waties Waring, wife of the federal judge who outlawed Jim Crow primaries, told the annual meeting of the Negro YWCA here.

Speaking to 200 Negroes and whites Monday night, Mrs. Waring praised her Negro listeners for

their bravery "in inviting me to speak here," and both white and Negro listeners "for your bravery to come to hear me."

## FLAYS REACTIONARIES

"You Negro people have already picked up the torch of culture and achievement from the whites down here," she said. "They are a sick, confused and decadent people. . . . You are building and creating."

Denouncing reactionary white

Southerners, Mrs. Waring declared that "the white powers-that-be" have done everything in their power to keep me from speaking to you Negro people, even to defaming Judge Waring's and my character."

New attempts to intimidate Mrs. Waring appeared the next day in the form of threats from Thomas Hamilton, local Ku Klux Klan Grand Dragon; and opposi-

tion from J. Strom Thurmond, South Carolina Dixiecrat Governor, and Rep. Joseph Wise, Jr.

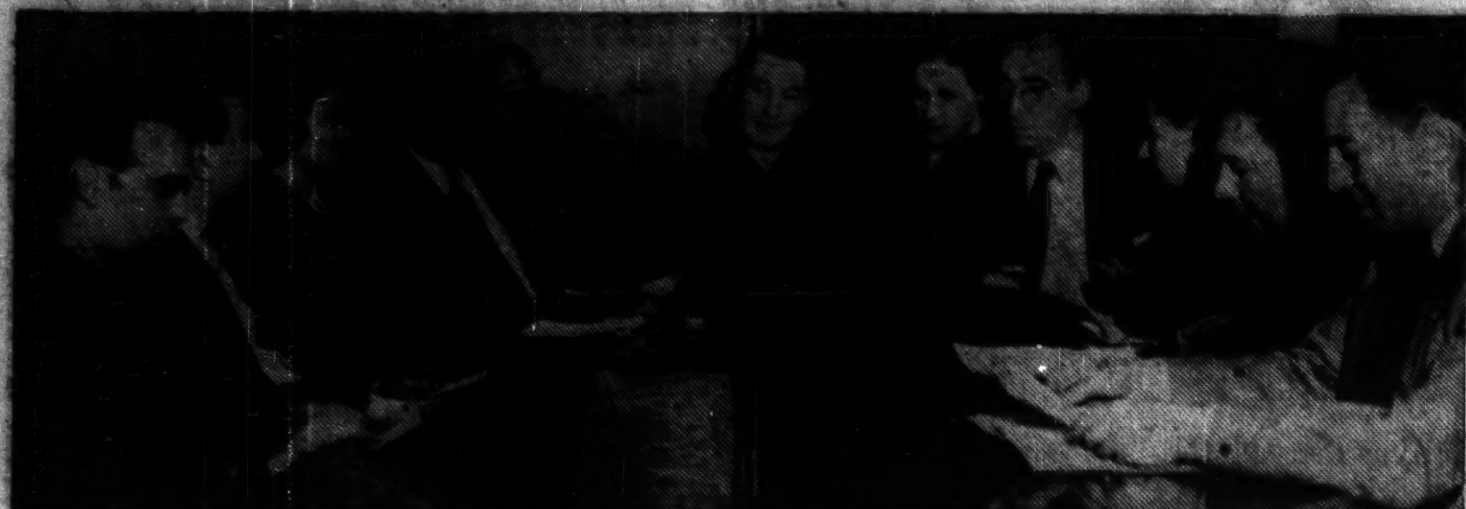
Mrs. Waring replied tersely, "I am not interested in the views expressed from the standpoint of the Ku Klux Klan by Messrs. Hamilton, Thurmond and Wise." She said she had received several anonymous threatening telephone calls the next day.

Judge Waring had urged South

Carolina to "rejoin the Union" when he threw out the state's white primary in 1947. His wife told her listeners Monday night he was only "urging the white supremacists to do of their own volition . . . but when they resist, only force will work."

Waring is the scion of an old Charleston family and himself the son of a Confederate veteran.

## ASK 15 CP SECTIONS TO DOUBLE SUB QUOTA



Leaders of the State Communist Party discuss doubling quotas in The Worker sub drive. Left to right are: Jack Rinsler, Queens secretary; Hank Farash, state press director; Fanny Licht, Westchester secretary; Charles Loman, Kings County secretary; David Gordon, cultural division secretary; William Norman, state secretary; Ralph Glick, Manhattan secretary; Nat Slutsky, Kings Highway regional director; May Miller, assistant state secretary; Joe Roberts, Daily Worker business manager, and Jack Stein, Bronx secretary.

Fifteen sections of the Communist Party in New York State have been called upon to join a "Doubles" brigade in The Worker subscription drive.

The "Doubles" drive was proposed by the Bath Beach and Bensonhurst-Brighton sections of Brooklyn. These Brooklynites have topped their quotas already, with more than 900 subs together. They have pledged themselves through Nat Slutsky, their regional director, to bring in more than 1,800 subs by Lincoln's Birthday, February 12.

The two Brooklyn sections, at a meeting yesterday of the CP State Organization Commission,

asked the commission to call a special meeting to get other Party sections to double their quotas. The commission agreed to this proposal.

"These two Brooklyn sections are telling us by their deeds that they have complete confidence in the workingclass and in the Communist Party and in The Worker," said William Norman, state secretary of the Party, yesterday.

Fifteen sections that have completed their original quotas or else are about to complete them will be asked to unite in this new drive, it is believed.

These high ranking sections in the press drive include the Food

Workers Section in Manhattan, the Bakers Section in Brooklyn, the Rego Park Section in Queens, the Burnside-Fordham Section and Parkchester Sections in the Bronx, who have completed their quotas in New York City.

Upstate the Albany and Utica sections have also gone over the quota top.

Sections that are about to pass the quota mark include the Forbes, Inwood, Tenth Assembly District and the Seventh Assembly District, West, in Manhattan, and the Staten Island Section.

In Queens, the Sunnyside, Jackson Heights and Queensbridge sections are just under 100 percent.

## Peking Hits British 'Double-Dealing'

HONG KONG, Jan. 18. — Peking radio today accused Britain and Norway of "double dealing tricks" in the United Nations Security Council because they abstained from voting on the Soviet resolution to oust the Kuomintang delegation, despite "announced willingness to establish diplomatic relations" with the Chinese government.

## Asks Recognition of Indo-China

PEKING, Jan. 18. — A call from Ho Chi Minh, president of the Democratic Republic of Indo-China, urging world recognition of the Indo-Chinese republic, was broadcast today over the Peking radio. The call was contained in a note sent by the Indo-Chinese government to the Chinese People's Government.

Ho said he was ready to establish relations with any government "on the basis of equality and mutual respect for national sovereignty and territory."

## Report Chiang Planes Bomb Canton

HONG KONG, Jan. 18. — Unconfirmed reports here said that Kuomintang planes bombed the liberated city of Canton, on the China mainland, in three successive waves over a period of five hours yesterday. The reports indicated that the bombings were vengeful attacks on residential areas. A toll of 23 dead and 10 injured was reported. The planes were said to have been American B-25 bombers based on Hainan Island.

## Australian Gov't Aims to Outlaw CP

NEW DELHI, India, Jan. 18. — Australia's new Tory government plans to outlaw the Communist Party and seize its property, Foreign Minister Percy Spender told a press conference here. Spender is en route home from the British Empire conference in Colombo, Ceylon.

## UN Group to Discuss Jerusalem Issue

The United Nations Trusteeship Council opens discussions on Jerusalem today in Geneva, Switzerland. State Department sources have indicated they will seek to impose a U. S.-dominated international regime over the Holy City. The original State Department plan called for "internationalization" under the UN Conciliation Commission where the Soviet Union was not represented.

## Greek Fascists Postpone 'Election'

The Greek "general election" has been postponed from Feb. 19 until March 5, it was announced in Athens yesterday by monarch-fascist Premier John Theotokis. Only the rightist parties will be on the ballot. Theotokis said the delay was required to complete election lists.

Meanwhile, employees of the Post Office and Communications Ministry struck for higher wages.

## UAW Sets Strike Deadline At Chrysler

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, Jan. 18. — A strike deadline for 89,000 Chrysler workers, members of the CIO United Auto Workers, was set for a week from today as the union rejected the company's offer on pensions.

Tacked onto the pension offer was a demand from the company for a five-year contract and pension freeze, with a yearly reopener on economic demands. No wage increase was offered. The company made a net profit of \$97,500,000 in the first nine months of 1949.

Ten thousand Plymouth workers last Sunday voted to go out for a 11½ cents an hour wage increase and fight for federal pensions.

It was reported that among the Dodge plant's 30,000 union members strong support was developing for similar action.

The company's pension offer is \$100 a month including federal or state benefits at the age of 65 after 25 years with proportionate pensions based on \$4 a month for each year of service for workers who retire at age of 65, after 15 to 25 years of service.

Workers are objecting to the following provisions of the contract: A merit and ability clause which disregards seniority; lay-off up to seven days regardless of seniority; gyping workers out of holiday pay, and penalties against job action in the fight against speedup.

The Chrysler contract expires in July.

# Clamp Curb On Visitors To Trenton 6

By John F. Norman

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 18. — Death house restrictions against the Trenton Six were revived yesterday when Mercer County Warden Glasco arbitrarily denied the six framed Negroes permission to receive visitors.

"You can't see them and that's all there is to it," Glasco told four friends of the jailed men who had traveled 40 miles from Newark to talk to them during the regular county visiting hours.

The warden admitted the "no visitors" decree is being applied only to the six frameup victims, Collis English, McKinley Forest, Ralph Cooper, Horace Wilson, James Thorpe and John McKenzie.

"We're tired of having all these people come down here to talk to them," Glasco told Nathaniel Brooks, secretary of the New Jersey Labor Youth League, and three other friends of the defendants. "From now on they'll see relatives and no one else."

The four visitors were not even allowed inside the county jail. Mrs. Emma English, emerging from the jail after a visit with her son, Collis, told Brooks she was "not surprised, just angry" at Glasco's ruling.

For one of the men, Ralph Cooper, the rule means virtually solitary confinement. Cooper has no relatives.

## PLAN NEW VISIT

Lewis Moroz, executive secretary of the New Jersey Civil Rights Congress, announced a delegation of friends and former visitors of the Six would go down to Trenton

from Newark Friday during the regular visiting hours from 2 to 4.

Moroz said Solomon Golat, CRC attorney for five of the six framed men, would take legal action to restore the men's rights.

Golat appeared in U. S. District Court here Monday to represent the men as plaintiffs in a civil suit against Mercer County Judge Charles P. Hutchinson, who is attempting to bar O. John Rogge, William Patterson and Emanuel Bloch as Golat's associates in the retrial soon to be held.

Hutchinson was defended in the civil action by Deputy Attorney General John W. Griggs—in spite of repeated insistence by Attorney General Theodore Parsons that he is "ethically bound" from intervening in the case.

## PROPERTY RIGHTS

Significantly, Griggs raised as his main argument in behalf of Hutchinson the Dixiecrat doctrine of states' rights. Federal courts can act to curb a state or county judge's acts only in cases "involving serious property loss," the deputy attorney general declared.

Federal Judge Philip Forman reserved decision but said: "There isn't any question in my mind that the accused always has the right to the assistance of counsel of his choice."

## Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX  
Managing Editor

News from Illinois: 300 subs turned in last week, making total of 1,065 out of 3,000 quota. Expect 500 weekly from now on. Leader in the drive at present is the Carl Lieber Section of the Communist Party, consisting of auto workers — with quota of 100 subs, 96 already turned in and shooting for at least double the quota. Steel section (South Chicago) with quota of 200, already has 120, almost all from steel workers. Packing house Section, which usually starts late and ends up like a ball of fire, is late again, but better not wait too long for the ball of fire. Southern Illinois adopted quota of 300 — tripling that of any previous drive — and already has 119, mostly from coal miners.

I was kidding Saul Wellman of Detroit the other day on the slow pace of the drive there. He said: "If The Worker got a sub for every banquet you attend, everything would be all right."

Something needs to be cleared up here. When I'm invited to a banquet or a breakfast, I announce it. The day of the meal, I announce it again. And after I've eaten — with restraint — I announce it a third time. So every meal sounds like three. Proof is the picture in the paper last week showing me as thin as ever. Or maybe that was from worrying over Detroit.

## Today's POINT of ORDER

On the super-bomb front: unsure whether it can keep going with oxygen, capitalism is now planning to pump life into itself with hydrogen.



# Soviet 1949 Production Up 20%

MOSCOW, Jan. 18 (UP).—The Soviet press today reported the highest productive level in Soviet history, and said gross production in 1949 was 20 percent higher than in 1948.

The report of universal over-fulfillment of Russia's economic plan for 1949 said production was 41 percent higher than in the highest prewar year of 1940.

Agriculture also reported substantial progress with a bumper

crop of 134,000,000 tons as the result of increased mechanization, extension of areas of cultivation northward and reclamation of land through reforestation and irrigation.

(The incomplete industrial report, monitored in London last night by the Soviet monitor but not completed because of poor reception, placed industrial production in 1949 at 103 percent of 1948.

(Subsequent broadcasts made it clear that the percentage of 103 was based on revised quotas and that gross production increased 20 percent over 1948 and 41 percent over the pre-war level of 1940).

The report of the highest productive level in Soviet history said that unemployment was entirely non-existent.

An Izvestia editorial contrasted the situation in capitalist countries, particularly the United States,

saying the production level had declined 22 percent with a growing number of unemployed.

The newspapers said successful fulfillment of the plan enabled the Russian population to purchase 20 percent more consumers goods compared to the consumption in 1948, and said it was steadily increasing as result of the government's price-reduction policy.

The report said Russia exceeded

production records not only in metals, oils, coal, machines and chemicals but clothing, sugar, tea, tobacco and the best champagne as well. The champagne industry led the list of most successful enterprises, overfulfilling the production plan by 272 percent.

The production report said the agricultural area had been extended 14,826,480 acres, and that farming had been intensively mechanized.

## Federal, State Aides Back O'D Relief Cuts

By Louise Mitchell

Federal, state and city public welfare authorities yesterday okayed the "let-em-starve" relief cuts instituted by the O'Dwyer administration last Monday.

A statement issued by the bi-partisan welfare officials, after an all-day conference,

hinted they would even like to put over additional cuts. These, they said, were being withheld to "permit a margin for individual family management." The excuse for reducing relief was a phony decrease in the cost of living.

The meeting was called as a result of O'Dwyer's attempt to pass the buck in view of overwhelming protests to the \$3 to \$4 monthly budget cuts for each of the 328,000 adults and children on public assistance rolls.

It turned out to be a love-fest between Democratic Federal and city officials and Republican state authorities. They jointly found that the city's relief starvation budgets "provide an adequate standard of living at minimum cost."

Earlier, city and state welfare officials had been throwing the ball to each other in an effort to duck responsibility for the cuts.

Present at the meeting were Henry Root Stern, chairman of the State Board of Social Welfare; State Welfare Commissioner Rob-

ert T. Lansdale; Miss Jane Hoey, of the Federal Security Agency and the city's Welfare Commissioner Raymond T. Hilliard.

The conference's decision was set forth in a three-page letter to the Mayor which concluded: "The budget was prepared with intelligence and integrity. It is a reasonably adequate budget, regularly priced in accordance with the Federal government's recommendations to the state."

### Bowling Congress Sued for Jimcrow

The American Bowling Congress would be barred from all activities in New York State because of its jimcrow policies, under the terms of an injunction filed yesterday by Attorney General Nathaniel Goldstein in New York County Supreme Court. Goldstein said the organization's rules and constitution compelling discrimination were "contrary to public policy" in the state.

### Welfare Workers Picket Hilliard

A mass demonstration of Welfare Department workers organized by Local 1 of the United Public Workers yesterday demanded salary increases, promotions and an end to speed-up. Two thousand workers in the late afternoon picketed Hilliard's headquarters denouncing his anti-labor policies.

## 3,000 IN MANHATTAN RALLY MARK LENIN ANNIVERSARY

An audience of over 3,000 at Manhattan Center last night attended the Lenin Memorial meeting held under the auspices of the New York County, Queens and Cultural Division of the Communist Party.

The gathering greeted with enthusiasm the statement of Gus Hall, secretary of the CP national committee, that 25 years after the death of Lenin, Lenin

not only lives but is growing in the mighty Soviet Union, in the eastern democracies, and among the 475 million people of China. Hall added that Lenin lives and grows in America, in the progress of the American Communist Party.

George Blaker, chairman of the New York County CP, opened the meeting. Other speakers were Benjamin J. Davis, former Councilman; Mel Williamson, for the Labor Youth League, and Mercedes Arroyo.

### Acheson Prays for 'Third Force' in China

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Secretary of State Dean Acheson said today that the United States hopes a "third force" will arise in China, but added he sees no immediate prospect of this.

### Taylor Quits as Envoy to Vatican

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (UP).—President Truman today accepted "most reluctantly" the resignation of Myron C. Taylor as his personal envoy to the Vatican but gave no hint whether he will replace him.

## Wallace in 1944 Predicted Chiang's Fate, Report Shows

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18 (UP).—Former vice-president Henry A. Wallace advised the late President Roosevelt in 1944 that Chiang Kai-shek lacked the "intelligence or political strength to run postwar China," it was disclosed today. The advice was contained in a "summary report" which Wallace made on a visit he made to China. A copy of the hitherto unpublished document was made available to newsmen after its existence had been discussed in Senate debate on the China crisis.

In the report, Wallace predicted that the leaders of postwar China would be "brought forward by evolution or revolution, and it now seems more likely the latter." He advised Roosevelt to work for a "coalition" Chinese government, and made clear that he sought a resurgence of "liberal" elements.

The document was made public by Sen. Herbert O'Connor (D-Md) along with a note from Wallace expressing surprise that Secretary of State Dean Acheson had not included it in the State Department "white paper" on China last year.

### Progressives to Map Anti-Taft Drive

CLEVELAND, Jan. 18.—The Progressive Party of Ohio will hold a state convention and mass meeting Jan. 21 and 22 to map "a smashing campaign to defeat Sen. Taft," according to the party's call. The parley will be held at 1899 W. 25 St.

Hugh DeLacy, Progressive Party State Director, announced that candidates the party will support in the coming election will be pledged to "keep the peace, bring full civil liberties and job rights to all, end the deportation craze, and enact measures to promote health, improve housing and ensure the everyday securities of men and women."

### Measles Cases Up

The Department of Health yesterday noted an increase in measles cases, particularly in Manhattan and Staten Island.

## Coplon Lawyer Assails FBI Wire-Tap Crimes

By Harry Raymond

Defense attorneys in the Coplon-Gubitchev espionage case charged yesterday in U. S. District Court that the FBI had engaged in criminal telephone tapping to "destroy two little people."

Archibald Palmer, attorney for former government girl Judith Coplon, said the "G" men engaged in their secret illegal acts to "give an answer to J. Farrell Thomas (now serving a prison term for payroll padding) and the Un-American Activities Committee." Palmer and Abraham Pomerantz, attorney for Valentin Gubitchev, accused Soviet diplomatic official, concluded arguments on their motions to quash the espionage indictments.

This wound up a dramatic six-weeks wire-tap hearing before Federal Judge Sylvester Ryan.

Judge Ryan indicated he would rule in favor of prosecutors John M. Kelley and Raymond P. Wheatly. He said he would deliver his decision tomorrow.

"I say it was perjury when an FBI man got up in that stand and admitted wire-tapping when he denied it 30 days earlier," Pomerantz declared.

He pointed out that wiretapping was punishable under the Federal Communications Act by two years imprisonment, \$10,000 fine or both.

"Let the FBI combat crime, but stay out of politics," he said.

"I know they would resort to any dirty means in a political espionage trial," Palmer continued. "I was being watched

and tapped and didn't dare talk to a client in my office."

Prosecutor Kelley argued that the illegal wire tapping was "imperative extra-legal defense for extended security in these cold war days."

### Dope Peddler Freed In Rome Amnesty

MILAN, Italy, Jan. 18 (UP).—Vincent Trupia, of New York, was freed from prison today under the Holy Year amnesty, after he had served four months of a 20-month term for possession of narcotics.

Trupia's arrest seven months ago at Rome Airport brought on a wide-scale investigation of narcotics trafficking which resulted in the arrest of one-time New York vice king Charles (Lucky) Luciano. Luciano later was released and exonerated of all charges.

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## Senate Report Hits Maragon-Vaughan Tie

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—John F. Maragon, White House habitue, was labeled today by Senate "five percenters" investigators as an "outright fixer" who cashed in on his friendship with Maj. Gen. Harry H. Vaughan, President Truman's military aide.

Maragon is scheduled to go on trial here Feb. 20 on perjury charges growing from the investigation.

The 36-page report, signed by four Democrats and three Republicans, said Vaughan and other high officials made a "serious mistake" in accepting "gift" deep freezers from the Albert Verley Co., the Chicago perfume concern that employed Maragon.

It said Mrs. Truman, however, was within her right in accepting one of the freezers for the Truman's family home at Independence, Mo., because Americans

traditionally send gifts to the Presidential family.

The report said Maragon's acceptance of \$1,000 a month for representing the Verley Co. in Europe while he was a member of the 1946 American mission to Greece was "so reprehensible that no discussion of it is necessary."

### Blow to Grid Yanks

The New York Football Giants virtually wrecked the New York Yankees yesterday with their selection of the six promised players, taking defensive bulwarks including the great Arnie Weinmeister, Mastrangelo, Schnellbacher, Garza, Rowe and Landry.

## MURRAY HITS NLRB MOVE

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issued to the people of this city include Local 1,573, largest affiliate here of the United Steelworkers of America; Local 61 of the United Rubber Workers; Local 711 of the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, and locals 506, 603 and 618 of the United Electrical Union.

NESQUEHONING, Pa., Jan. 18.—The traditional solidarity of miners with steelworkers was dramatically expressed here Tuesday night when local miners voted a contribution of \$10 to CIO steelworkers who have been on strike four months at the nearby Palmerton plant of the New Jersey Zinc works.

The miners acted at a meeting of UMW Local 1704.



# Charleston Judge's Wife Defies KKK Threats

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 18. — "There is a new look not in the skirts, but in the eyes of the Negro women I pass on the streets and meet in the homes," Mrs. J. Waring Waring, wife of the federal judge who outlawed Jimcrow primaries, told the annual meeting of the Negro YWCA here.

Speaking to 200 Negroes and whites Monday night, Mrs. Waring praised her Negro listeners for their bravery. "In inviting me to speak here," and both white and Negro listeners "for your bravery to come to hear me."

**FLAYS REACTIONARIES**

"You Negro people have already picked up the torch of culture and achievement from the whites down here," she said. "They are a sick, confused and decadent people. . . . You are building and creating. Denouncing reactionary white

Southerners, Mrs. Waring declared that "the white powers-that-be" have done everything in their power to keep me from speaking to you Negro people, even to defaming Judge Waring's and my character."

New attempts to intimidate Mrs. Waring appeared the next day in the form of threats from Thomas Hamilton, local Ku Klux Klan Grand Dragon; and opposi-

tion from J. Strom Thurmond, South Carolina Dixiecrat Governor, and Rep. Joseph Wise, Jr.

Mrs. Waring replied tersely, "I am not interested in the views expressed from the standpoint of the Ku Klux Klan by Messrs. Hamilton, Thurmond and Wise." She said she had received several anonymous threatening telephone calls the next day.

Judge Waring had urged South

Carolina to "rejoin the Union" when he threw out the state's white primary in 1947. His wife told her listeners Monday night he was only "urging the white supremacists to do of their own volition . . . but when they resist, only force will work."

Waring is the son of an old Charleston family and himself the son of a Confederate veteran.

## ASK 15 CP SECTIONS TO DOUBLE SUB QUOTA



Leaders of the State Communist Party discuss doubling quotas in The Worker sub drive. Left to right are: Jack Rinsler, Queens secretary; Hank Farash, state press director; Fanny Licht, Westchester secretary; Charles Loman, Kings County secretary; David Gordon, cultural division secretary; William Norman, state secretary; Ralph Glick, Manhattan secretary; Nat Slutsky, Kings Highway regional director; May Miller, assistant state secretary; Joe Roberts, Daily Worker business manager, and Jack Stein, Bronx secretary.

Fifteen sections of the Communist Party in New York State have been called upon to join a "Doubles" brigade in The Worker subscription drive.

The "Doubles" drive was proposed by the Bath Beach and Bensonhurst-Brighton sections of Brooklyn. These Brooklynites have topped their quotas already, with more than 900 subs together. They have pledged themselves through Nat Slutsky, their regional director, to bring in more than 1,800 subs by Lincoln's Birthday, February 12.

The two Brooklyn sections, at a meeting yesterday of the CP State Organization Commission,

asked the commission to call a special meeting to get other Party sections to double their quotas. The commission agreed to this proposal.

"These two Brooklyn sections are telling us by their deeds that they have complete confidence in the workingclass and in the Communist Party and in The Worker," said William Norman, state secretary of the Party, yesterday.

Fifteen sections that have completed their original quotas or else are about to complete them will be asked to unite in this new drive, it is believed.

These high ranking sections in the press drive include the Food

Workers Section in Manhattan, the Bakers Section in Brooklyn, the Rego Park Section in Queens, the Burnside-Fordham Section and Parkchester Sections in the Bronx, who have completed their quotas in New York City.

Upstate the Albany and Utica sections have also gone over the quota top.

Sections that are about to pass the quota mark include the Forbes, Inwood, Tenth Assembly District and the Seventh Assembly District, West, in Manhattan, and the Staten Island Section.

In Queens, the Sunnyside, Jackson Heights and Queensbridge sections are just under 100 percent.

## Clamp Curb On Visitors To Trenton 6

By John F. Norman

TRENTON, N. J., Jan. 18. — Death house restrictions against the Trenton Six were revived yesterday when Mercer County Warden Glasco arbitrarily denied the six framed Negroes permission to receive visitors.

"You can't see them and that's all there is to it," Glasco told four friends of the jailed men who had traveled 40 miles from Newark to talk to them during the regular county visiting hours.

The warden admitted the "no visitors" decree is being applied only to the six frameup victims, Collis English, McKinley Forest, Ralph Cooper, Horace Wilson, James Thorpe and John McKenzie.

"We're tired of having all these people come down here to talk to them," Glasco told Nathaniel Brooks, secretary of the New Jersey Labor Youth League, and three other friends of the defendants. "From now on they'll see relatives and no one else."

The four visitors were not even allowed inside the county jail. Mrs. Emma English, emerging from the jail after a visit with her son, Collis, told Brooks she was "not surprised, just angry" at Glasco's ruling.

For one of the men, Ralph Cooper, the rule means virtually solitary confinement. Cooper has no relatives.

### PLAN NEW VISIT

Lewis Moroz, executive secretary of the New Jersey Civil Rights Congress, announced a delegation of friends and former visitors of the Six would go down to Trenton

from Newark Friday during the regular visiting hours from 2 to 4.

Moroz said Solomon Golat, CRC attorney for five of the six framed men, would take legal action to restore the men's rights.

Golat appeared in U. S. District Court here Monday to represent the men as plaintiffs in a civil suit against Mercer County Judge Charles P. Hutchinson, who is attempting to bar O. John Rogge, William Patterson and Emanuel Bloch as Golat's associates in the retrial soon to be held.

Hutchinson was defended in the civil action by Deputy Attorney General John W. Griggs—in spite of repeated insistence by Attorney General Theodore Parsons that he is "ethically bound" from intervening in the case.

### PROPERTY RIGHTS

Significantly, Griggs raised as his main argument in behalf of Hutchinson the Dixiecrat doctrine of states' rights. Federal courts can act to curb a state or county judge's acts only in cases "involving serious property loss," the deputy attorney general declared.

Federal Judge Philip Forman reserved decision but said: "There isn't any question in my mind that the accused always has the right to the assistance of counsel of his choice."

## Peking Hits British 'Double-Dealing'

HONG KONG, Jan. 18. — Peking radio today accused Britain and Norway of "double dealing tricks" in the United Nations Security Council because they abstained from voting on the Soviet resolution to oust the Kuomintang delegation, despite "announced willingness to establish diplomatic relations" with the Chinese government.

## Asks Recognition of Indo-China

PEKING, Jan. 18. — A call from Ho Chi Minh, president of the Democratic Republic of Indo-China, urging world recognition of the Indo-Chinese republic, was broadcast today over the Peking radio. The call was contained in a note sent by the Indo-Chinese government to the Chinese People's Government.

Ho said he was ready to establish relations with any government "on the basis of equality and mutual respect for national sovereignty and territory."

## Report Chiang Planes Bomb Canton

HONG KONG, Jan. 18. — Unconfirmed reports here said that Kuomintang planes bombed the liberated city of Canton, on the China mainland, in three successive waves over a period of five hours yesterday. The reports indicated that the bombings were vengeful attacks on residential areas. A toll of 23 dead and 10 injured was reported. The planes were said to have been American B-25 bombers based on Hainan Island.

## Australian Gov't Aims to Outlaw CP

NEW DELHI, India, Jan. 18. — Australia's new Tory government plans to outlaw the Communist Party and seize its property, Foreign Minister Percy Spender told a press conference here. Spender is en route home from the British Empire conference in Colombo, Ceylon.

## UN Group to Discuss Jerusalem Issue

The United Nations Trusteeship Council opens discussions on Jerusalem today in Geneva, Switzerland. State Department sources have indicated they will seek to impose a U. S.-dominated international regime over the Holy City. The original State Department plan called for "internationalization" under the UN Conciliation Commission where the Soviet Union was not represented.

## Greek Fascists Postpone 'Election'

The Greek "general election" has been postponed from Feb. 19 until March 5, it was announced in Athens yesterday by monarch-fascist Premier John Theotokis. Only the rightist parties will be on the ballot. Theotokis said the delay was required to complete election lists.

Meanwhile, employees of the Post Office and Communications Ministry struck for higher wages.

## UAW Sets Strike Deadline At Chrysler

Special to the Daily Worker

DETROIT, Jan. 18. — A strike deadline for 89,000 Chrysler workers, members of the CIO United Auto Workers, was set for a week from today as the union rejected the company's offer on pensions.

Tacked onto the pension offer was a demand from the company for a five-year contract and pension freeze, with a yearly reopener on economic demands. No wage increase was offered. The company made a net profit of \$97,500,000 in the first nine months of 1949.

Ten thousand Plymouth workers last Sunday voted to go out for a 11½ cents an hour wage increase and fight for federal pensions.

It was reported that among the Dodge plant's 30,000 union members strong support was developing for similar action.

The company's pension offer is \$100 a month including federal or state benefits at the age of 65 after 25 years with proportionate pensions based on \$4 a month for each year of service for workers who retire at age of 65, after 15 to 25 years of service.

Workers are objecting to the following provisions of the contract: A merit and ability clause which disregards seniority; lay-off up to seven days regardless of seniority; gyping workers out of holiday pay, and penalties against job action in the fight against speedup.

The Chrysler contract expires in July.

## Memo to the Reader

By ALAN MAX  
Managing Editor

News from Illinois: 300 subs turned in last week, making total of 1,065 out of 3,000 quota. Expect 500 weekly from now on. Leader in the drive at present is the Carl Lieber Section of the Communist Party, consisting of auto workers — with quota of 100 subs, 98 already turned in and shooting for at least double the quota. Steel section (South Chicago) with quota of 200, already has 120, almost all from steel workers. Packing-house Section, which usually starts late and ends up like a ball of fire, is late again, but better not wait too long for the ball of fire. Southern Illinois adopted quota of 300 — tripling that of any previous drive — and already has 119, mostly from coal miners.

I was kidding Saul Wellman of Detroit the other day on the slow pace of the drive there. He said: "If The Worker got a sub for every banquet you attend, everything would be all right."

Something needs to be cleared up here. When I'm invited to a banquet or a breakfast, I announce it. The day of the meal, I announce it again. And after I've eaten — with restraint — I announce it a third time. So every meal sounds like three. Proof is the picture in the paper last week showing me as thin as ever. Or maybe that was from worrying over Detroit.

## Today's POINT of ORDER

On the super-bomb front: unsure whether it can keep going with oxygen, capitalism is now planning to pump life into itself with hydrogen.



## MARITIME PAGE

Appears Every Thursday in the  
Daily WorkerProgressives Gain in  
West Coast Dock Locals

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 18.—Election results in the International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union marked the defeat of most of the present pro-Murray officials, and the election of progressives who support the autonomy stand of Harry Bridges at the National CIO convention — the right of the rank and file to decide its own policies.

In Portland, Ore., extreme right wingers who had controlled Local 8 for years failed to win a single major post. From the local's president on down, a clean sweep was made by the candidates who defended the union's autonomy against national CIO attack.

In Seattle, Bill Clark, foe of the International leadership, was defeated by Art Olsen, 926 to 399; in the race for secretary-treasurer; J. A. Hopkins, a defender of autonomy, was elected president. Several other pro-autonomy candidates won against the formerly entrenched pro-Murray administration.

In San Francisco, the same trend was registered in Local 10—although less clearly.

In 1947, rightwinger James Kearney was elected president by a 1,674 majority—in 1948 by a 949 majority, even with the right wing split. This year, Phil Sandin, supported by a united right wing, was forced into a runoff against Henry Schmidt and won by a slim majority of 278 votes. Other successful nominees on the right wing slate barely squeezed in.

But the extent to which the right wing has been weakened is especially emphasized by the 1,633 vote for Bill Chester in the close race for business agent, and the successful election of John F. Walker and Albert James as dispatchers, and Claude Saunders to the labor relations committee—the largest number of Negroes elected to major posts in Local 10 history.

Greater Negro-white unity was the backbone of increased progressive strength in Local 10, and accounted for the near victory of the white progressives. But a stronger fight by white progressives against all forms of discrimination, on the job and in the local

could have elected Chester, and is of key importance to insure a united and stronger fight for autonomy and progressive ILWU policies.

If progressives are to consolidate and extend election gains they may well ask: Why did the rightwingers lose ground? There are many reasons, but the most important single reason is the struggle waged on the autonomy issue.

In the fight on this issue before the rank and file, the right wingers were exposed and could no longer get support from conservatives who were good union men and saw the peril of Murray's union wrecking policies.

Whenever this issue was placed clearly before the membership, the rightwingers were defeated by a coalition of conservatives, middle

of the roaders, progressives, left wingers and Communists — all united on a common stand on autonomy.

The left-progressives and Communists have a direct responsibility to fully understand the significance of the autonomy issue. It is not a "left" or "right" issue—it is an issue that can unite all forces and bring victory.

Further, a united struggle on this issue leads to a strengthened fight on all other issues.

Therefore, this requires that Communists and left-progressives must be prepared to cooperate fully with others they may have opposed in the past—or who do not see eye to eye on other issues—but who are prepared to fight against the union wrecking policies of Murray and his agents in the ILWU.

## Find U.S. Goods on Greek Docks Since '46

ATHENS, Jan. 18.—Paul Porter, Marshall Plan boss for Greece, revealed today that some Marshall Plan goods delivered to Greece in 1946 still have not been distributed.

During a recent ECA inspection of the Piraeus docks, Porter said, "we found jeeps, automobiles, tractors, pipe and asphalt which had been there from several days to months. In addition, there were 3,000 tons of goods with arrival dates from 1946 to 1948."

## Paasikivi Leads in Finland

Finland's rightwing President Juko H. Paasikivi appeared assured of reelection yesterday when he won 107 of the 300 electors, with 65 more Social Democratic electors virtually pledged to him. The Communist Party got 21.7 percent of the total vote, a gain of 1.5 percent over 1948. The Social Democrats, who had no candidate in the presidential race, dropped 4 percent to 22.3 percent. Paasikivi was opposed by Agrarian Urho K. Kekkonen and Communist Mauno Pekkalo. Only 1,477,007 of the 2,500,000 eligible voters, about 60 percent, went to the polls.

## Soviet Delegate Boycotts Japan Council

TOKYO, Jan. 18.—The Soviet Union today boycotted the Allied Control Council for Japan for the third successive occasion. Anglo-American delegates went ahead with their scheduled airing of phony charges of Soviet cruelty to Japanese prisoners of war.

JOE RYAN GOES ON AIR  
TO DEFEND HIS SHAPE-UP

By Jack Karan

Why was Joe Ryan on television last week? Joe never liked publicity before. Yet he participated in a debate on "Hiring Practices on the Waterfront." With him were Pat Connolly of Local 824, ILA; Father Corriden and Dominick Unsino of the Daily News.

Criticisms of the shape-up system have been mounting in the last year. Even a shipowner's organ like the late Sun, and a city official like Commissioner Murtagh had to take note of the longshoremen's beef against the shape-up. It is expected that a bill will be introduced in the State Legislature to make the shape-up illegal. Therefore Ryan finds it necessary to defend this shipowner's method of hiring.

To hear Ryan and his stooge Pat Connally talk, everything is fine on the waterfront. There's nothing wrong with present hiring practices. "Longshoremen are satisfied with the shape-up, and if they were not satisfied, the shape-up would have been done away with long ago," says Joe. Connally went so far as to claim that the average longshoreman hired under this system earned close to \$4,000 last year.

But Ryan and Connally had difficulty defending the shape-up. In fact, they couldn't even agree with each other at times. Ryan said that all men were hired under an "open shape-up" system, and everyone had an equal chance. Connally said that 99 percent of the longshoremen who work are in steady gangs on a steady pier. He correctly stated that most longshoremen are hired by the gang, and not in an open shape-up, and then went on to falsely claim that they have security.

Ryan's whole argument was based on the fact that when he first went to work in longshore in 1912 the men used to have to stand around between 7 o'clock in the morning and 7 o'clock in the evening in order to protect their jobs. The hiring stevedore could come out at any time between these hours and shape the men. Today the stevedore can only shape the men twice a day, at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m.

After 35 years under Ryan's leadership, longshoremen only have to shape up twice a day. That certainly represents progress, doesn't it? But why have a shape-up at all? What kind of security does a longshoreman have under this system? Any kind of seniority? Any protection against favoritism? Any protection against Jimcrow? Not a word about any of these questions.

The truth of the matter is that the longshoremen get no benefits from this system. The shipowner gets all the benefits. The men have no control over their jobs. The hiring stevedore can pick anyone he wants, unless the men stage a job action in order to correct a grievance.

As for earnings, Connally read a lot of figures trying to show that the men in the steady gangs averaged about \$4,000 last year. Every longshoreman knows Connally was lying. The figures on earnings in the Port of New York show that only 3,075 men out of 46,000 who drew checks worked more than 2,000 hours last year. And altogether only 11,000 men earned \$50 per week or more. Most longshoremen in steady gangs average between \$40 and \$50 per week. The extra men average much less.

According to the ILA financial statement, there are 17,000 dues paying members in the port. Yet 46,000 men drew checks. Thousands of non-union men are permitted to work, while union men are not making a living.

During the discussion Father Corriden spoke about the hiring hall. His position wasn't too clear, but he said he was against a rotary hiring system. Yet he himself quoted the figures that on the West Coast, where the longshoremen have a democratic union hall with a rotary system of hiring, 74 percent of the West Coast longshoremen made over \$3,500 last year.

## News from Ships and Ports

BALTIMORE.—The Curran officials refused to permit a resolution signed by 75 members to be read at the membership meeting calling for a program of action to defend the union hiring hall. At the same time that Curran issued secret orders to his agents in the ports to block any action of the rank and file to fight the attempt of the shipowners to outlaw rotary shipping through the hiring hall by the Supreme Court, he wrote a "militant" paragraph in his personal column in the NMU Pilot, stating that if the Supreme Court outlawed the hiring hall there would have to be an "all out fight."

SAN FRANCISCO.—Under the wage review clause of their contract, the Marine Cooks and Stewards have reached agreement with the West Coast shipowners for a Welfare Plan. The shipowners will be required to contribute 25 cents per day for each member into the Welfare Fund. In addition to other

gains won as a result of the 1948 strike, the MCAS at that time gained the definite commitment from the shipowners that a Welfare Plan would be negotiated and concluded.

The MC&S has also announced that definite plans are now under way to begin mobilization for the 44-hour week in 1951. The proposal for the 44-hour week demands either that overtime be paid for all work performed at sea on Saturdays and Sundays, or that additional men be carried in the Stewards' Department to guarantee no work over 40 hours. The provision for the increased manning scales for the 40-hour week in the Stewards' Department would correspond to the four-watch system in the deck and engine departments.

NEW YORK.—The Marine Engineers (MEBA, Local 33) has issued a call for unity to the Master, Mates and Pilots, AFL, urging joint negotiations and action on June 15, 1950. The MEBA could reach no agreement with the shipowners on Dec. 15, and the union extended the old contract until April 15, 1950. The engineers are asking the MM&P to extend the contract until June 15 so the mates and engineers can take a swing at the shipowners together. . . .

The meeting of the Radio Op-

erators (ARA) voted to send an official delegate and an observer to the New York meeting of the NAACP to mobilize for this week's civil rights crusade in Washington.

S. S. AMERICA.—The crew voted to support the fight of the radio operators against the shipowner-Coast Guard blacklist. The NMU members on this "glamor ship" of the U. S. Lines noted that this attack threatened the right to work of all militant maritime workers. Preliminary hearings on this blacklist, which already includes over 100 radio operators, will take place in Washington tomorrow (Friday).

S. S. EXMOUTH.—The crew came in from a long trip with a long list of overtime claims. Curran's "patrolman" boarded the ship and none of the overtime was paid.

Chief among the overtime claims was one of "spotting booms" by the deck department while in ports in India. Although this work is normally done by longshoremen and the contract specifically provides that overtime is payable when crew members are required to do the work of longshoremen, the company refused to pay on the grounds that the longshoremen in India were "inexperienced" and could not be "trained" to "spot booms." Therefore it was an "emergency."

The company further stated that it was now the established practice, on all their ships running to India, to have the deck department do this work without overtime.

The refusal to pay this overtime throughout the entire fleet is putting a tidy sum in the pockets of the Export Lines.

The crew declared they would contact the other ships in the fleet with a view toward taking direct action to stop this "speedup and robbery."

S. S. SANTA CLARA.—The second assistant engineer beat up the Puerto Rican saloon messman so brutally that the messman had to be taken off the ship and sent to the hospital. The engineer claimed he did not get "proper service." The facts are that this messman had discharges as a first class waiter on passenger ships. He had been unable to get a job as a first class waiter, his proper rating, because of the discriminatory policies of the ship owners and Curran.

On the trip that this incident took place, the overtime for the deck department for running the winches in Venezuelan ports was eliminated. The company has instructed the mates on all Grace Line ships to run the winches as part of their regular duties in the future. This ship is one of the few re-

maining on which Curran is still able to cause some confusion. However, it is interesting to note the attitude of the crew on the Bridges case. The poster, which shows the "rogues gallery" who testified against Bridges in former frame-up attempts, was prominently posted on the main bulletin board and was left there for the entire trip. Nobody tried to take it down, and everybody read it. The only reason that no specific action was taken at the ship's meeting on the Bridges case was that crew members who intended to raise the question, and were sure of support, were on watch at the time of the meeting.

Moscow Opens 4th  
Children's Art Exhibit

MOSCOW, Jan. 15 (Telepress).—The fourth exhibition of children's art has been opened in Moscow. The exhibition includes 300 paintings and sculptures of artists, the youngest of which is five and the oldest 16 years of age.

The most general theme of the children's art is the daily labor of Soviet workers, work in the fields, factories and schools, the building of houses and factories, postwar reconstruction and the life of children in Pioneer groups, clubs and holiday camps.

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# CIO Kangaroo Trial of Mine-Mill Union Opens

Daily Worker Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—Twenty-three mine, mill and smelter workers rank and file members were permitted to testify for their union today by a CIO "trial" board which had been severely criticized for conducting a "kangaroo court" in previous trials of other CIO unions.

Accompanied by five Mine-Mill Union officials, the 23 rank and file members were escorted by six heavy-set guards before entering CIO headquarters.

It was the first time in the four trials thus far conducted by CIO boards that rank and file witnesses were allowed to testify without a court order that forced the board to accept the testimony. Such a court order had been obtained by the Ford and Tobacco Workers several weeks ago.

Mine-Mill, charged with "violating CIO policy" and "paralleling the Communist Party line," prepared a 62-page brief in its defense. The charges leveled against the union were called "complete and malicious lies" by the CIO trial board consisting of Jacob Potofsky, Joseph Curran and Emil Mazey was called "biased" from the start.

Mine-Mill revealed 99 raids have been conducted by CIO unions against its locals and charged "raiding" has replaced organizing as a number one priority job for CIO leaders.

The 57-year-old union of iron ore miners said the CIO's accusations of "communism" against Mine-Mill is a "smoke screen" to cover up the failures of the present CIO leadership. It is used to cover up "their own surrender to forces outside the trade union movement, their loss of independence and militancy."

The CIO leaders were charged

with "surrendering without a fight on the wage front" and compromising the fight against segregation and discrimination.

"It is a sad commentary on CIO leaders when they surrender leadership in the fight for higher wages this year to the AFL which in past years followed the wage path we blazed," the Mine-Mill brief declared. "The pacesetter of the CIO, the steel workers union, slowed down to a walk in the fourth round on wages by accepting a Presidential fact-finding report that rejected the basic wage demands of the CIO and of all labor," the brief stated.

"A major result of the retreat on wages is that labor has been getting it in the neck" while corporations have been grabbing off a bigger slice of the national income, Mine-Mill explained.

## Sorry—They Thought He Was American!

FLAGSTAFF, Ariz., Jan. 17 (UPI).—The Flagstaff Chamber of Commerce today sent an apology to Olusan Awani, grandson of the King of Warri, Nigeria, who was refused service in a restaurant here because of his race and arrested and fined when he objected to the refusal.

Awani, a student at the University of California at Berkeley, was refused service on Dec. 24 when he and several white students were passing through here on a trip east. Awani was arrested and fined \$10 for disturbing the peace in the argument that followed.

# Plymouth Local Backs Attorneys for '11'

By William Allan

DETROIT, Jan. 18.—The United Auto Workers Plymouth local has voted to join in the defense of George Crockett and the other attorneys including Eugene Dennis, sentenced to jail by Judge Medina in the trial of the 11 Communist leaders.

The Plymouth local, like Ford Rouge, Packard and Dodge voted to join the Crockett Defense Committee, and voted financial aid to the campaign to defeat the alleged contempt sentence which will come up for an appeal hearing Feb. 6.

A reception in honor of Crockett will be held this Sunday at 3 p. m. at the Club Fantasia, Grand Boulevard and Woodward, where all the lawyers, as well as Maurice Sugar and Yetta Land, of Cleveland, will speak.

This Friday at the Penobscot Building the Detroit Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild will honor Crockett at a supper where Clifford F. Durr, national president of the Lawyers Guild, will speak.

# NLRB Moves to Get T-H Injunction Against Miners

By Mel Fiske

WASHINGTON, Jan. 18.—General counsel Robert N. Denham of the National Labor Relations Board, with the apparent approval of the White House, today went to Federal Court to obtain an injunction prohibiting John L. Lewis and the United Mine Workers from using "coercive tactics" against coal operators.

Denham filed his request with Federal Judge Richmond B. Keach, who ordered Lewis and the union to appear at a Jan. 26 hearing and show cause why the injunction should not be granted.

Denham, joining the operators' offensive against the miner workers, said the UMW was violating the Taft-Hartley Law by insisting on a union shop in the mines and a UMW-controlled welfare fund, and by refusing to "bargain in good faith."

He said the three-day miners' work week was "coercive" and was a "strike" for two days out of the normal five-day work week. He added that the three-day week also constituted a "slowdown," which he claimed violated the Taft-Hartley Law.

John A. Penello of Baltimore, regional NLRB director, was scheduled to go to the Federal district court this afternoon to petition for a temporary injunction against the miners. According to court procedure, the petition would be accepted and a hearing date set.

If Denham's petition is granted by the court, Lewis and the miners would be ordered to "bargain in good faith" and give up their demands for a union shop and increased welfare fund payments, and would be forced to drop the

"willing and able" clause that has appeared in the last two mine contracts.

Denham said that while he had not been instructed by the White House to take this action against the miners, the "White House raised no objections to our proceeding." He said he had kept the White House informed of his plans at all times.

## FOLLOWS OWNERS' LINE

Denham's petition followed the same tack taken by the Southern Coal Producers Association Dec. 28 when it urged Denham to act against the UMW. Denham said an investigation of the association's charges convinced him "that there is substantial merit to the allegations."

He said other information indicates that "irreparable damage" is being done to businesses, schools, and individuals because of "the curtailment of production of coal." The three-day work week, Denham said, "has proved to be substantially less than the minimum requirements of those who are being affected."

Denham's use of the words "irreparable damage" indicated that his petition was pegged on a broadened interpretation of the Taft-Hartley Law. The law requires a "national emergency" to exist before being utilized. President Truman reiterated today that no such national emergency is in existence.

## ORDERS MINERS BACK

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 18.—John L. Lewis issued an "order" today

directing 80,000 striking mine workers to return to work.

Lewis changed last week's back-to-work "suggestion" to an order as his representatives scheduled mass meetings in the soft coal fields.

John P. Busarello, president of UMW district 5, said, "The order is to go back to work Monday—that's John L. Lewis' order."

Busarello indicated that Denham's efforts to obtain an injunction may hinder rather than help the union's effort to get the miners back to work.

Meanwhile, picketing increased in the coal fields.

A survey showed 49,400 idle in Pennsylvania; 12,000 in West Virginia; 9,860 in Ohio; 8,500 in Alabama; 7,600 in Kentucky, and 1,200 in Tennessee.

## Find Body of Miner Buried in Cave-In

MAHANOT CITY, Pa., Jan. 18. (UPI).—The body of Edward Burda, 25-year-old miner caught in a cave-in five days ago, was found today at the bottom of a 115-foot deep anthracite mine, State mine inspector John Morgan said.

"We now know where the body is," Morgan said, "but it has not been recovered yet."

Burda was buried beneath an avalanche of soft coal and debris which hurtled down the slope when the cave-in occurred last Friday. Morgan estimated that it would take two to two and a half hours before rescue workers would be able to remove the body.

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## Of Things to Come Marxism and The Negro Press

By John Pittman

NEWSPAPERS of the Negro people have had a varied development since Freedom's Journal appeared in New York in 1827. Frederick Douglass counted the circulation of his North Star in the hundreds. The 200-odd Negro weeklies appearing today serve over 1,500,000 readers. One daily newspaper, the Atlanta World, serves 18,500 readers. One picture magazine, Ebony, boasts a monthly circulation of 344,906; another monthly magazine, Our World, gives the figure of 190,587. In addition, there are a number of scholarly publications, such as Phylon of Atlanta University, the Journal of Negro History and the Journal of Negro Education, and many trade, fraternal and religious publications. In sum, there were 339 Negro publications of all categories by 1940. This press is first-rate evidence of the unfreedom of the so-called "free press," that is, the commercial metropolitan dailies. For the Negro press originated and endures today because the most influential and proud dailies regard the news of Negro affairs as not fit to print, or else they give such news the white supremacist treatment.

**THE BUILDING OF THE NEGRO PRESS** also represents an outstanding achievement of U. S. Negroes. This press grew in an atmosphere of monopoly, when the investment required for plant, paper, machinery and operating expenses amounted to large sums. The fact, therefore, that it was built to its present size is a tribute to the determination of the Negro people to voice their protest against oppression.

The truth is that monopoly, which swallowed up hundreds of commercial dailies, tried hard to stifle the Negro press altogether. And the Negro press today reflects the stunted growth of the entire Negro capitalist class. For monopoly allowed the Negro capitalist only the last and least nourishing crumbs from the table of exploitation, and segregated him into ghetto concerns such as insurance, burial companies, and publishing.

NEVERTHELESS, although Negro capitalism was stunted, the Negro capitalist class displays the manners of monopoly. Six big publishing concerns account for over 900,000, or three-fifths, of Negro newspaper circulation. They are the Pittsburgh Courier (296,674), Chicago Defender and its two subsidiaries (227,357), Baltimore Afro-American papers (207,050), New York Amsterdam News (63,143), Norfolk Journal & Guide (63,028), and Kansas City Call (40,189).

Like capitalists the world over, these big publishers place the interests of their class over those of the Negro people, though class-interest is generally concealed—as in the big metropolitan dailies—by vulgar and ostentatious patriotism. Thus, these publishers fought the unionization of their shops tooth and nail, declared in favor of the Taft-Hartley Act, and are committed either to the Truman Democrats or the GOP.

But their chief weakness as instruments of the Negro liberation movement is their white supremacist approach to the Negro question. They deny that the Negro people are a nation, although their circulation and contents are the best proof of the development of that common psychology which follows upon the maturity of the material conditions of nationhood. They parrot the white supremacist view that the Negro people are a "racial minority" or a "colored minority."

Such a position, as well as their class interests, leads these big Negro publishers into the trap of hostility to the white workers—the "poor whites." For they regard the Negro's position not as resulting from national oppression imposed by the alliance of monopoly and government, but as the product of "race prejudice," which they deem to be prevalent only in the "lower classes," never in the "educated, cultured classes." Hence, these publishers are to be found in the camp of opposition to a fighting alliance of Labor and the Negro people, the main bulwark today of liberty for all Americans and peace for the world.

It is for these reasons that the Negro press, while performing valuable services for the Negro people, cannot substitute for a Marxist newspaper. Only the Marxist press views the Negro question as a question of an oppressed nation, and fights for the alliance of the Negro people and Labor as the sole means of ending this national oppression. And because the Negro people increasingly are coming to understand this, more and more are becoming regular readers of The Worker and the Daily Worker.

VIRGIL

By Len Kleis



## Letters from Readers

### More About Big Words

Boston, Mass.

Editor, Daily Worker:

I sold a bundle of Daily Workers before a factory gate Jan. 11. The page one article had this sentence: "Never in the history of the nation have so large a number of Americans been subjected to such autocratic, clandestine surveillance as gentry of the wire-tapping fraternity are now imposing."

If our paper is going to be

read by workers, it can't use language like that. "Autocratic clandestine surveillance" probably means secret police snooping, but I don't know. What's wrong with "FBI wire-tappers, illegally snooping on the telephone talks of thousands of people, make up a secret political police never before known in America."

Let's stop trying to win prizes for \$64 words.

M. M.

## Press Roundup

**THE MIRROR's** Walter Wm. chell venoms: "The British Lion's recognition of China's Communists is unique. It's the first time a lion surrendered to a cat." And that coming from a thing which has to stand tip-toe to lick the boots of his god, Herr (Gestapo) Hoover.

**THE NEWS** hints strongly that Robert "I-Am-The-Law" Denham, counsel to the NLRB, is fronting for President Truman in the latter's understandable coyness about directly invoking Taft-Hartley against the miners. It doesn't matter much "whether Mr. Truman or Mr. Denham moves against Lewis," the News generously concedes.

**THE COMPASS's** Jennings Perry suggests the British empire's Ceylon parley resembled nothing so much as that famed and futile conclave of the mice who decided to "bell the cat." The "cat" in this instance being, of course, "communism."

**THE HERALD TRIBUNE** could have boiled down to two words its smug editorial on the Army's directive "banning" Jim Crow. Hypocritically pretending that the "order" means its fulfillment, the Trib gushes: "It is stimulating to hear the warning comment by Gen. Brooks that the new order is 'not eye-wash.'" The Trib, could have said just: Show me.

**THE TIMES**, playing the little innocent, finds that "what is

puzzling is the failure of the Republican Party to take advantage of the Democratic split" over civil rights, "in order to assert more actively Republican initiative and leadership in these matters. You would almost think the Times really believes either party wants civil rights."

**THE POST's** Marquis Childs' concedes: "There should be no illusions about the British policy in recognizing China. That is not the Labor government but a national policy with the widest possible approval."

**THE JOURNAL - AMERICAN's** hero, George E. Sokolsky, thunders: "What we should do is take a city—any city—Canton, Swatow, Amoy or Shanghai, and hold it until Soviet China treats us with the respect that is our due." Sokolsky is noted for his bravery. Why he once secretly bore the burden of being on the NAM's hush-hush payroll while at the same time working for a newspaper.

**THE WORLD-TELEGRAM's** Eleanor Roosevelt informs: "While I was having my hair done in the beauty parlor yesterday, the girl there said to me: 'We are sad today because of Gen. Arnold's death.'"

The Worker is the only reliable, effective antidote to your daily quota of commercial press poison. How about sharing your knowledge with at least two others, by getting Worker subs? —R. F.

## World of Labor

By  
George  
Morris

### CIO Reverses Itself; Now It Wants Un-Americans

BELIEVE IT or not, even that hysterical red-baiting show in Cleveland the CIO called its convention passed a resolution denouncing "loyalty" witchhunting and calling for the abolition of the House Un-American Committee. But that does not stop the CIO chartered company stooges, calling themselves IUE, from wiring frantically to the House Un-American Committee for immediate help because the workers, even past rightwingers, are sticking to the original UE. This is what the press agent of the IUE, operating out of Pittsburgh wired, as reported in the Pittsburgh papers of Jan. 12:

"We feel that Communist infiltration in Local 601 and present activity if that group is of pertinent interest to your committee. We need someone here immediately for a first-hand investigation. We ask that you send Mr. Alvin Stokes. Conditions are bad."

This should show how hypocritical the CIO's leaders are in their professed opposition to the Un-American Committee, which for 12 years worked to bust the CIO. Their relations with it are on a very intimate basis. They even suggest that "investigator" Stokes, who is a Negro, would be most suitable for the job they want done.

"CONDITIONS ARE BAD!" cry the phonies. That means conditions are getting much better for those fighting to save the UE. They're not kidding. Philip Murray and his army of phonies counted on the blitz tactic launched from the Cleveland convention platform to give them a decisive advantage and lightning victory. Their timetable was shattered, and when the workers won time to think matters over they began to swing in great numbers to the UE they knew.

At first some of the workers were swept off their feet as priests addressed their meetings and told them the choice was between "Christ or Stalin." Many were told that if they stood up for the old UE they faced excommunication. The newspapers dinned it into their ears that the old UE was as good as liquidated. Employers lost no time throwing everything Jim Carey's way.

Then the real tests began. At the Schenectady main plant of General Electric, the UE rolled up, IN ONE DAY, 10,000 signed authorizations from the workers for a monthly dues checkoff for the UE. At the giant GE plant in Erie, Pa., at last reports, authorizations were nearing the same number as in Schenectady. When workers lay it on the line this way, and back it financially, they really mean it.

**THE BIG TALK** of the IUE phonies stopped. It is the UE that is pressing for immediate elections while the IUE is ducking a poll. At the East Pittsburgh plant, where "conditions are bad," the shop steward machinery is strongly behind the UE and a membership meeting of some 2,000 voted solidly for it. The UE in that giant Westinghouse plant is winning because it is pressing the slogan of unity—unity behind every grievance fight in the plant, unity to save the contract, unity for the mine workers, unity behind every major labor issue. The phonies can't beat the slogan of unity. They can only try to sow confusion with the help of the Un-Americans.

Moreover, the workers have had some samples of IUE unionism in practice. This has so repelled many of them in the East Pittsburgh plant that former backers of the rightwing are swinging back to UE, Local 601.

There is one character in East Pittsburgh whose condition is apparently becoming psychopathic as a result of the turn events are taking. He is former Congressman John McDowell, former member of the Un-American Committee, purged by voters in the 1948 election. He is writing a column for a sheet in East Pittsburgh.

What burnt up the former Congressman most was a Christmas party arranged by UE Local 601 for the children of a nearby mining town. The sight of President Porter Mechling and Chief Steward Thomas J. Fitzpatrick playing Santa to the children of Harmarville was more than McDowell could stand. But what could he say? The slogan of unity is a powerful one. Cemented by the spirit of Christmas and joy of children it was, indeed, unbeatable.

McDowell, therefore, turned into a "Marxist" and exploded at "their perversion of sour Marxist teachings" about Christmas and the spirit of giving gifts to children on that day.

"Conditions are bad," Mr. McDowell, very bad!

**COMING:** Lenin, Stalin and the Mid-Century . . . by Eugene Dennis . . . in the weekend Worker



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## What Is Your Local Doing?

THE MINERS are in danger.

Anyone who thinks that this is for the miners to worry about is terribly mistaken.

The miners union is the backbone of the labor movement. This is true here as it is in other lands. Without the miners there would have been no CIO.

The miners face a terrific gang-up. The government, through the NLRB, wants to strangle their stoppage with an injunction. The courts are lying in ambush, ready to slap another million dollar fine on them. The mine owners are led by the Steel Trust, and are out to smash the union at all costs.

John L. Lewis' appeal to the CIO and AFL for a united front of Labor has gone unheeded. This has sharpened the eagerness of the employers for the kill.

It is, therefore, of the highest importance that the giant UE Westinghouse Local in Pittsburgh has just voted to support the miners in a material way. Others will follow.

The UE local suggests a ONE-DAY WORK STOPPAGE OF OTHER UNIONS TO BACK THE MINERS. This is a powerful and sound idea. The bosses are united. The unions can win only if they show that the miners are not fighting this life and death battle alone. Aid is beginning to arrive to the miners from their fellow unionists.

What is your local union doing? We urge that support for the miners who are fighting with their backs to the wall be given immediate attention in all union locals and internationals. This is no act of charity. It is sheer self-defense for all labor.

## Dr. Jansen Seeks Advice

WHAT IS DR. WILLIAM JANSEN TEACHING your kids?

Dr. Jansen, Superintendent of Schools, invited 50 big businessmen to advise him on what the public schools can do to help Big Business. The businessmen were headed by the boss of the McGraw-Hill Publishing Corporation, a man who hates every social reform as "Socialism." The businessmen told Jansen that they want him to teach "punctuality, tact, and love for hard work."

They didn't mention anything about teaching our kids to organize trade unions to fight for higher wages. They didn't mention the need to teach our kids to organize to wipe out Jimcrow and war. Jansen dutifully promised to train our kids to be meek little hired hands in the factories and offices of big business, employees who will be punctual and tactful—that is, who won't raise hell for higher wages.

WE NOW KNOW why Jansen is unwilling to surrender his own private witchhunt in the New York schools after the so-called Loyalty Test Feinberg Law was blocked as un-Constitutional. Jansen doesn't want teachers who will refuse to teach the philosophy of Big Business employers. Such teachers are "unpatriotic" in his eyes. Jansen is setting up a plan for secret ratings of teachers' "personalities." And what of teachers who stand up and fight for more schools and higher salaries? Away with them. They are untactful.

It never occurs to Jansen to invite the working class parents of Negro and white children to advise him on what to teach. He is afraid they might demand that he teach real democracy and peace. Parents and unionists need to be on the alert against Jansen's snooping in our schools.

## Lenin's Cause

THE NAME OF LENIN occurs in every list of the half century's influential men.

This man brought to millions the message of democracy, peace and socialism. He made socialism work. He rescued his country from war.

We would like to urge our readers and friends to honor this genius by attending the Lenin Memorial meetings called by the Communist Party throughout New York City.

READY, SET—

By Fred Ellis



## The Meaning of Medina's Contempt Sentences

By Peggy Dennis

JUDGE MEDINA issued a 60 page "Certificate of Contempt" in October, when he sentenced the Defense Counsel of the 11 Communist leaders to jail terms ranging from one to six months. With this document, the government and the Court seek to mend

their legal-political fences before the case of the eleven comes up in the Circuit Court of Appeals. They seek to forestall criticism of their conduct of the trial itself. And most important, they seek to influence and to pre-judge the appeal of the eleven.

The key to the real purposes of the Contempt Certificate is the Court's charge that the six Defense Counsel were found in contempt when they challenged the Southern District jury selection system, when they challenged the constitutionality of the Smith Act, and when they challenged the political purposes of the Truman Administration, the FBI, and the federal courts in prosecuting the indictment.

In other words: the Defense Counsel were found in contempt for defending the eleven at all.

IN HIS Certificate of Contempt and by his sentence to jail of fense Counsel, Judge Medina seeks to pass judgment upon basic legal, constitutional, and political issues which will come before the higher Appeals Court. He attempts to justify the record of his own conduct of the trial. He tries to influence the hearing on the appeal of the eleven by issuing, after the trial is over, his own so-called judicial characterization of the Defense and of the fundamental issues involved.

Perhaps no other stage of the trial brings to mind so keenly the Alice-In-Wonderland verse the Alice-In-Wonderland verse to the effect that "I will be prosecutor, judge and jury rolled in one—as does the contempt sentence itself.

Judge Medina issued the indictment charging contempt. In the very next instant, he announced he found the six guilty of contempt. And with the next breath, he pronounced sentence upon them.

In the Contempt Certificate, as well as in his oral judgment in the courtroom, there is offered not one single instance of attempted proof of the charges.

FOR EXAMPLE: In the second paragraph of the Certificate, Medina states that he "was reluctantly forced to the conclusion that the acts and statements

(of Defense Counsel) . . . were the result of an agreement between these defendants, deliberately entered into in a cold and calculating manner to do and say these things. . . ."

"Nowhere in his contempt citation does Medina once try to substantiate his charge of an "agreement" between Defense Counsel. Not only does he claim that such an unproven "agreement" was "deliberate," but he projects himself into the realm of subjective analysis and claims to know, legally, that the unproved "deliberate agreement" was entered into in a "cold and calculating manner."

But legal proof demands "time, place, and evidence" (how often had we heard that time and again throughout the nine months in that courtroom).

More of this same type of personal characterizations upon which the Certificate of Contempt is based are such phrases as:

"The acts . . . constituted a deliberate and wilful attack upon the administration of justice, an attempt to sabotage the functioning of the federal judicial system." And further on: that the Defense Counsel did all these things "for the purpose of causing such delay and confusion . . . and for provoking incidents. . . ."

Then the entire trial-record is offered as part of the Contempt Certificate. But here again, it is done with a "the record speaks for itself" gesture—which again is only the presumption of the Court alone that the record can be viewed only through its eyes.

Even the government had to go through the painful contortions of a nine months-long trial to put on the effort of trying to prove its trumped charges against the eleven. But Medina did not even go through the gestures of a kangaroo court trial of the Defense Counsel. He charged them with contempt—on the basis of his own opinion alone. And he sentenced them to jail terms for contempt—all within a few minutes by the clock.

THE CONTEMPT sentences against Sachet, Crockett, Gladstein, McCabe, Isserman, and Dennis are not a "censure" for a loud voice, or a show of temper, or a discourteous tone.

In offering the entire record of the trial as part of the contempt citation, the Federal District Court makes clear that it is trying to penalize the courageous six for their militant, day-by-day exposure of the political frame-up character of the trial itself.

Even a most cursory examination of some of the itemized charges in the Contempt Certificate shows that the contempt sentence is aimed, on the one hand, to "be notice to you and to all who may be tempted to follow your example that there is power in the judicial system of the United States . . ." as Medina warned the six when he convicted them. And, at the same time, it is aimed at an unprecedented judicial interference into and prejudgment of the eleven—which is no longer under the jurisdiction of the District Court.

For when the appeal against the contempt sentence comes up in February, the Circuit Court will necessarily find itself up to its neck in the 21,000 page record of the whole trial itself. And in its deliberations, the Circuit Court will be faced with the question whether Defense Counsel were "contemptuous without justification" when they defended the inalienable rights of the eleven and had to battle every inch of the way, for nine months, against court rulings which tried to prevent the Communist leaders from defending themselves and their Party from the bi-partisan political conspiracy against them.

These are some of the issues involved in the contempt case of the six Defense Counsel. And these are some of the reasons why the campaign in support of the six is an inseparable part of the campaign and the fight for the vindication of the eleven and the Communist Party which they lead, and of the fight in defense of the civil liberties of all the people—non-Communists and Communists alike.



# Landlord Medina and His Partner

## THE FIRST HALF MILLION

A strange deal that Harold R. Medina once tried to make with the Title Guarantee & Trust Co. comes to mind as one follows the later career of his partner, Joseph V. McKee.

McKee became president of this bank at \$20,000 a year when he resigned as president of the Board of Aldermen in May, 1933.

Twelve years earlier, Medina tried to get an aged woman client to settle her million dollar suit against the officers of this bank and other defendants for a paltry \$7,500.

Readers of "The Strange Story of Judge Medina's First Half Million" in the Daily Worker and The Worker will recall Medina's letter to his client, Mrs. Louise Chapman Ellis, making this proposal.

Mrs. Ellis, then 78, angrily rejected the one percent deal and tried to fire Medina four times. She eventually won her suit, but Medina and his aides got 50 percent.

McKee gave up the bank presidency in the late summer of 1933 to run against Fiorella LaGuardia for Mayor. But he came back as the general counsel of Title Guarantee later that year, and he is listed as a member of the bank's governing board of trustees today.

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York representative of the world's chief gangster regime. . . And the "city fathers" voted to suspend the session, over which McKee was presiding, and to admit the fascists at once.

And while press cameras clicked the burly fascist Consul General pinned the Italian royal cross of the order of the Cavaliere Ufficiale on Medina's partner's breast.

Il Duce's emblem was given McKee in "official recognition of the worth of our aldermanic president," explained the chief speaker of the occasion, New York General Sessions Judge Mancuso.

Mussolini had reason to be grateful to Medina's partner. The Walker-McKee police were letting Mussolini's goons break up Italian anti-fascist meetings in New York.

And not long before the City Hall ceremony, the cops had almost sent two well-known Italian anti-fascists—Donato Carrillo and Colegrove Croco of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union—to the electric chair in a framed murder trial.

The two innocent men were falsely charged with stabbing two Italian fascists to death in the Bronx.

Clarence Darrow, the distinguished people's attorney, and his colleague, Arthur Garfield Hays, presented evidence at the trial that the case had been framed by New York City detectives with the help of the Fascist League of North America; one of Mussolini's organizations.

The two men were promptly acquitted. But the cops sent another Italian anti-fascist to prison for several years in another stabbing frame-up a little later.

Mussolini's consul general had told Medina's partner that he was honoring him for his "services" to the Italian people in New York.

But records of the Sixth Municipal District Court show that poor Italians were later evicted from the Medina-McKee tenement houses on East 74 St. as quickly as Negroes, Jews, Irish, Germans, French, Spanish, Czechs and Negroes when they got behind in their rent.

And Medina and McKee knew

that the same Communists, who were protesting against American officials accepting fascist decorations, were leading the struggle against the policy of evictions.

And just as McKee was trying in the 1930's to smash the Communists by his use of the police so Medina was later to try in 1949 to smash them by his use of the courts.

Tomorrow—A Judge Remembers.

## More Jobless In Oil Industry

HOUSTON, Tex. (FP).—J. E. Crossland, representative of the Oil Workers International Union (CIO), reported that both the Texas Co. and Shell Oil Co. have been laying off men, but have been stone deaf to shorter workweek demands by the union. They have refused to discuss the 36-hour week.

Crossland said Houston and Harris county unemployment is surpassing the 1939 level of 20,000.

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## 3,000 Police Hunt Stolen \$1,500,000

BOSTON, Jan. 18 (UP).—Nine bandits who stole \$1,500,000 in one of the largest cash holdups in history covered their tracks today. Police said they were convinced it was an "inside job."

The greatest police force ever assembled in New England searched for the gunmen, spurred by rewards totaling close to \$150,000, but there were only the scantiest of clues.

Brink's, Inc., the armored car service raided by the Halloween-masked gunmen, offered a reward of \$100,000. The Commercial Union Assurance Co., Ltd., which insured the loss, said it would pay 5 percent of all money recovered.

The searchers, 3,000 city police, state troopers and FBI agents, worked throughout the day but found no clue.

Seven suspects seized during the night appeared in the police lineup, but there were no results.

The clues were meager, several lengths of rope, a chauffeur's cap and some adhesive tape. Another lead was the serial number of three .38-caliber revolvers taken from the Brink's employes by the bandits.

The raid was staged in a vault room reachable only by a series of stairways and outer offices.

## Asks House Probe of FBI Wiretapping

James Lawrence Fly, former chairman of the Federal Communications Commission, yesterday demanded a thorough investigation of the FBI's methods of gathering evidence.

In a letter to chairman Clarence Cannon of the House Appropriations Committee, Fly called for complete testimony on wiretapping, rifling of mails and destruction of public records.

He challenged FBI chief J. Edgar Hoover's statements that only 170 telephones are being tapped.

"For clarity," Fly said, "it would seem that the reference to 170 current cases involving taps on that one day should be broadened to cover the total taps for a 365-day period. It seems pertinent also to determine how many cases involved multiple taps. And, if a matter of record, it would tend toward clarification to know how many such taps involved multiple family party lines, or trunk lines, or public phone booths."

He said it would also "be of interest" to know how many times the FBI rifled private mail in the past year.

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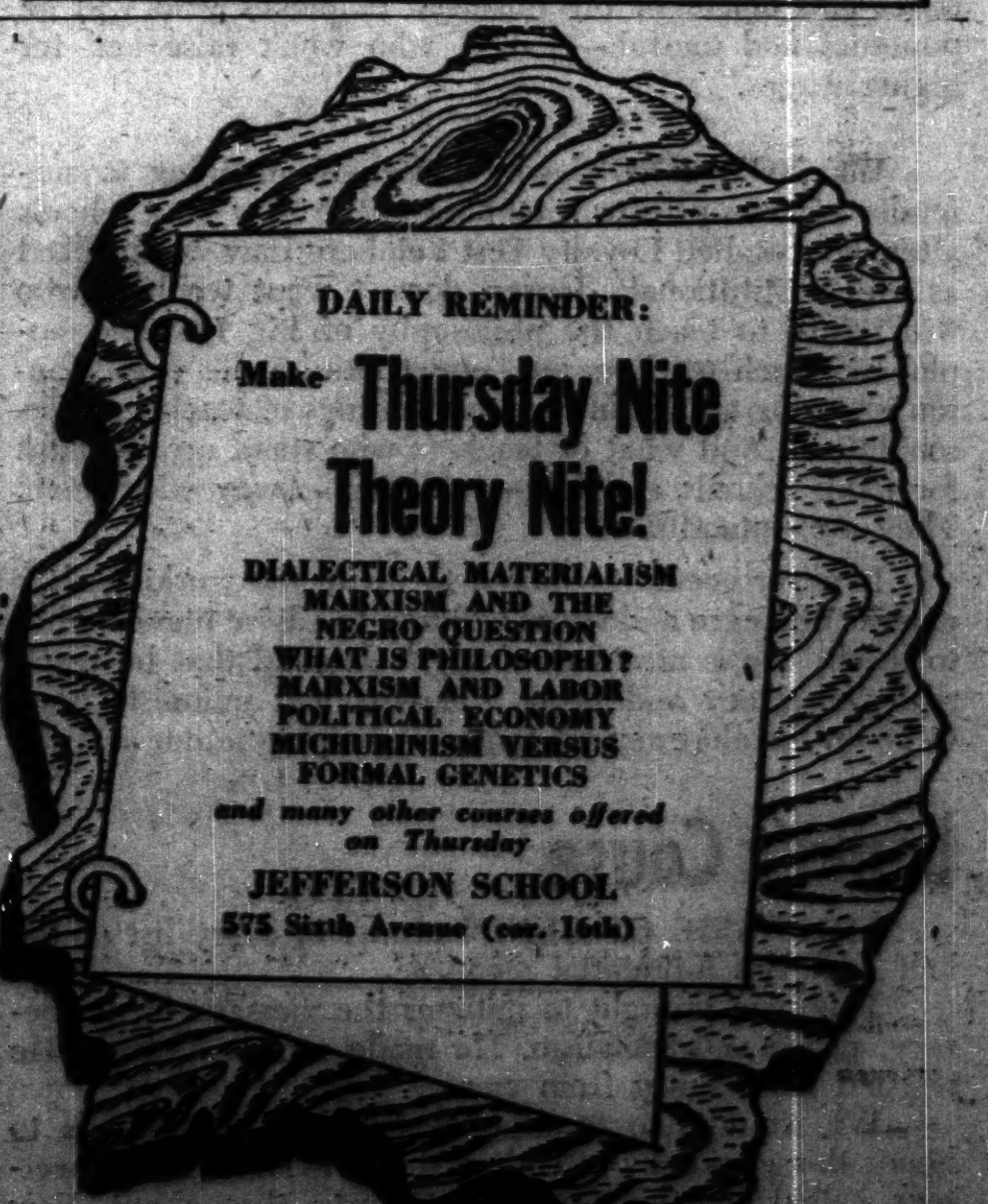
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## 8,000 Flee Missouri Flood

CHICAGO, Jan. 18 (UP).—Some 8,000 landowners fled threatening flood waters of the Mississippi river in eastern Missouri today while thousands of workers fought to hold a straining levee at Vincennes, Ind.

The Mississippi, meantime, burst through 300 feet of an earthen dike at Booths point, Tenn., surging over a wide woodland area with a roar that could be heard for miles.

In Illinois, four levee breaks across the Wabash river from Vincennes sent water pouring over 100,000 acres of prairie land and at least one town virtually was abandoned.

The dike breaks lowered the Wabash slightly at Vincennes.

The historic Indiana city was on a near-disaster footing. Women and children joined several thousand troops and volunteers in placing sandbags atop a second wall being built behind the levee.

## 3 Eastern Europe Aides Here Quit

LAKE SUCCESS, N. Y., Jan. 18. —Three officials from eastern Europe countries resigned their posts today. They are Aleksander Rudzinski, Polish delegate to the United Nations, and two members of the Czechoslovak Consulate General's office here—Arnost Fried, a secretary, and Valdislav Matejek, a consular aide.

## Blast Seizure of Berlin Rail Office

BERLIN, Jan. 18. —Seizure of the building that houses phone switchboards for East German-West Berlin train lines was attributed by the Socialist Unity party to the "desperation" and "blind fury" of the American warmongers over the China debacle.

Erwin Kreikemeyer, rail director for the German Democratic Republic, said a delay in elevated railway service in Berlin was due to the seizure. "The normal traffic cannot be resumed as long as the (communication) facilities are in the illegal possession of the (West Zone) police," he said.

## Find U.S. Goods on Greek Docks Since '46

ATHENS, Jan. 18. —Paul Porter, Marshall Plan boss for Greece, revealed today that some Marshall Plan goods delivered to Greece in 1946 still have not been distributed.

During a recent ECA inspection of the Piraeus docks, Porter said, "we found jeeps, automobiles, tractors, pipe and asphalt which had been there from several days to months. In addition, there were 3,000 tons of goods with arrival dates from 1946 to 1948."

## Paasikivi Leads in Finland

Finland's rightwing President Juko H. Paasikivi appeared assured of reelection yesterday when he won 107 of the 300 electors, with 65 more Social Democratic electors virtually pledged to him. The Communist Party got 21.7 percent of the total vote, a gain of 1.5 percent over 1948. The Social Democrats, who had no candidate in the presidential race, dropped 4 percent to 22.3 percent. Paasikivi was opposed by Agrarian Urho K. Kekkonen and Communist Mauno Pekkala. Only 1,477,007 of the 2,500,000 eligible voters, about 60 percent, went to the polls.

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Joseph Martin (R-Mass.), who favors repeal of the 21-day rule but prefers to postpone action on it until after the FEPC test vote Monday, told reporters the Republicans may vote for Marcantonio's motion.

In the tangled parliamentary situation which had prevailed until noon today, Chairman Adolph Sabath (D-Ill.) of the House Rules Committee, held the key to the situation. Since he reported the Cox resolution to the House, only he could call it up, providing he acted within seven days from yesterday.

Last night Sabath had confidentially assured FEPC supporters he was determined not to call up the Cox resolution until some time next week, after the House acted on FEPC. To these friends, however, Sabath confessed he was under extreme pressure not only from southern Democrats and Republicans but also from administration leaders in the House.

Shortly before the House convened today at noon, Speaker Rayburn called a conference with Sabath and House Majority Leader John McCormack (D-Mass.). A few minutes later, it was announced that Rayburn would have a press conference in his office. To the newsmen who crowded into the red-carpeted chamber, he said, "Mr. Sabath agrees to call up the resolution on Friday."

Rayburn declined to elaborate

## Truman Promise Broken in 24 Hours

Elmer A. Benson, chairman of the Progressive Party, declared: "Only yesterday, the President told the Mobilization for Civil Rights that civil rights legislation would be brought to a vote in the Senate 'if it takes all summer.' Yet hardly had this comment been made when Reps. McCormack and Sabath announced their intention to rush consideration of a rule which will block the House vote on FEPC that had been scheduled for Monday and doomed early consideration of this bill."

but said Sabath had made his decision after a conference with himself and McCormack. A Democratic caucus scheduled this afternoon to discuss party tactics in the fight against repeal of the 21-day repeal was canceled, he said.

## HAD POWER

Earlier today, Rayburn had admitted to reporters that Sabath had the power to decide when to call up the resolution originally sponsored by Rep. Eugene Cox (D-Ga.). A reporter asked, "who has control of the Cox resolution, Sabath or Cox?" Rayburn replied, "It seems Judge Sabath has control up to now."

Administration Democrats claimed today they could defeat the Cox resolution repealing the 21-day rule, but experienced observers were doubtful. Marcantonio, for instance, said a victory for the Dixie-GOP coalition seemed virtually certain and that the best tactic was to postpone action on the resolution at least until after the FEPC test Monday.

Rep. Francis Walter (D-Pa.), chairman of the Democratic caucus which in January, 1949, voted to establish the 21-day rule, took the floor today in an effort to bind all Democrats to that caucus decision.

He said that inasmuch as more than two-thirds of the members of the party in the House voted at that time for the 21-day rule, all Democrats who participated in that caucus would be guilty of a serious breach of party discipline if they now voted for the Cox resolution.

## IMPORTANT RULE

The 21-day rule has considerable importance for the Truman Administration. It provides that in any instance where the Rules Committee pigeonholes a bill reported favorably by a legislative committee, the chairman of the latter may take the floor on the second or fourth Monday in any month and call up the measure directly.

This enables the Administration to bypass the Rules Committee. Such a course is needed by the Administration at present because of the clear majority held in the Rules Committee by southern Democrats and Republicans. This majority not only opposes civil rights bills, such as FEPC, but is also hostile to certain foreign policy and appropriation bills sought by President Truman. The bill for universal military training, for instance, was successfully bottled up by the Rules Committee during the 80th Congress.

Rayburn and McCormack obviously had convinced Truman Democrats in the House that they had skillfully outmaneuvered the GOP. Democrats privately explained to reporters that as a result of Rayburn's tactic, Republicans could not vote in favor of the resolution without appearing to be voting against FEPC. Thus, they said, they were putting the GOP on the spot.

Marcantonio scoffed at this explanation.

"I do not believe this covenant (between Rayburn and Sabath) will confuse the country," the New Yorker said on the floor. "The nation knows that we who have been striving for a vote on FEPC stand

on the threshold of success. The country expects a vote on FEPC by this body on Monday."

Adoption of the Cox resolution on Friday would cheat the people out of this expectation, he said.

"The gentleman from Illinois, Mr. Sabath, has control of this resolution for seven days," said Marcantonio. "He does not have to call it up. If the speeches of President Truman and the other Democratic leaders are not demagogic, let them prevent this Cox resolution coming to a vote Friday. They do not have to call up this resolution Friday and thus block FEPC."

Rep. James J. Delaney (D-NY) immediately followed Marcantonio to the microphone. He contended Marcantonio's interpretation of the rules was "unsound." When the time comes for FEPC, said Delaney, "We Democrats will make the decision."

"Why wait?" shouted Marcantonio.

Delaney stalked redfaced to his seat and Rayburn rapped his gavel.

Marcantonio emphasized to newsmen that the only way remaining to save it was to force adjournment Friday immediately after the House convened, and sim-

ilarly to force adjournment Saturday if the leadership tried to call a session on that day.

"Friends of FEPC should bombard their congressmen with telegrams and phone calls urging them to vote for my motion to adjourn," Marcantonio said.

Sabath adjourned the Rules Committee until next Tuesday without taking any action on FEPC. Republicans insisted that when the committee met last it was agreed that the FEPC bill would not be considered for a rule until next week and that two committee members had left town.

Rep. Leo Allen (R-Ill.) moved to adjourn and his motion was seconded by Rep. William Colmer (D-Miss.). Sabath denied that any such agreement had been made. He claimed the Republicans were moving for adjournment because "they do not wish to vote out an FEPC rule."

Sabath did not put the Allen motion to a vote.

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## Ted Tinsley Says

### The Last Days of Pompous

IN CONTEMPLATING the death of the New York Sun, I find it is possible to hold back the tears. I do not refer to the dirty deal the employees of The Sun received, nor that paper's sweet trick of telling its staff that the rumors of a merger with the Telegram were false.

The last edition of The Sun, containing statements by that paper's Thomas W. Dewart and by the Telly's Roy W. Howard, is something to treasure, like an old fish or a dead cat. The words themselves do not bear repetition, but if ever two garbage cans decide to merge and form a sewer, here are the the incorporation papers.

Perhaps the most touching contribution of all came from George E. Sokolsky's first column in the Journal-American (his going to the Hearst press is proof of the physical law that bilgewater seeks its own level). Mr. Sokolsky, bravely biting his lip and controlling the sobs like the brave fellow he is, recalled that The Sun had lived for nearly 117 years. "It used to be called a newspaper man's newspaper," he wrote, "the one he took home to read."

This was more or less true along about the year 1871.

MR. SOKOLSKY is much upset by the disappearance of institutions and people. He could not believe The Sun would ever go. "Yes," he mourned, drawing a great lesson from life, "as I look from the window, I can see the ground where only a few months ago stood the mansion of Charles Schwab, built for all time. And a few months ago, my own mother passed to her ancestors."

It would be indecent to make any further comment on Mr. Sokolsky's scale of values.

He joined The Sun in 1940. Since that time, his relationship with Bill Dewart was a beautiful thing to behold. Seems that Sokolsky never had a contract—just a gentleman's agreement. After an initial telephone conversation, in which terms were agreed upon, Sokolsky and Dewart never discussed the matter again. "We never had a contract," wrote Sokolsky. "In due course, weekly checks began to arrive in the mail. We never referred to them. I was on The Sun eight years with never a business conversation."

It's no trick to keep silent about checks that come in every week. But I suspect that if a week or two passed without that check—contract or no contract—the howling and baying at the moon would have been heard from here to Poughkeepsie and back.

THIS NONSENSE of Sokolsky's contains an implied rebuke to The Sun's union workers. Why did they bother poor Bill Dewart with business conversations? Why did they ask for dirty old contracts? Didn't they know that Love and Good Fellowship ruled The Sun?

Sokolsky also recorded that he refused to leave The Sun for the Journal-American some years ago. "The Sun," he wrote, "had opened its doors to me when I was in need of shelter." Shelter is putting it mildly. During the last few years, if one judges from circulation, writing for The Sun was like living in a monastery. Any smart fugitive from justice could have curled up in Sokolsky's column and never been discovered.

Sokolsky declares that he will be "free and unfettered" on the Journal-American, as he was on The Sun. Yes, indeed, he will be just as free to advocate The Sun's philosophy in the Hearst press, as he was to advocate the Hearst philosophy in The Sun.

Sokolsky wrote that after first hearing of the death of The Sun, "it was even too shocking to cry." He must have felt awfully broken up when vaccination was developed and the institution of smallpox came to an end.

### On Stage:

## City Center's 'Corn Is Green'

FOR ITS SECOND offering in the current revival the City Center Theatre Company is presenting Emlyn Williams' *Corn Is Green*. First produced almost ten years ago with Ethel Barrymore as the crusading school teacher the present revival has Eva Le Gallienne in the role. The City Center's reasonably priced offering is seldom more than an adequate stock production, and sometimes less. It should be reported though that the audience, comfortable in the knowledge that they still had the price of a cup of coffee left over after dishing out for their theatre seats, enjoyed it heartily.

Taking place back in the latter part of the last century the play tells of a militant school teacher who invades a remote Welsh coal mining village determined to uplift the uneducated and throw light in dark places with the lamp of knowledge. Although playwright Williams scatters trials and

tribulations galore along the way his heroine and the lamp of knowledge win out in the end, washing the coal-grimed face of at least one young miner and warming up the heart of the Squire who, until the last act, was somewhat sour about anything that might keep twelve-year-old children out of the mines.

THE PLAY has moments of great warmth, particularly in its characterization of the school teacher. It is also packed full of conventional plot involvements that end to square the play more neatly with the tradition of the well-made play than with life. And although it is probably obvious it won't do any harm to point out that while Mr. Williams places his confidence in the school teacher, this reviewer, on the other hand, would rather place his in the Welsh coal miners.

A good part of *The Corn Is Green* is dependent on the actress portraying the teacher. An actress of real accomplishment, Miss Le Gallienne however approaches the role created by Ethel Barrymore with considerable uneasiness. Her performance seems strained, even occasionally shrill with effort. Most of the cast (and the difficult acoustics at the City Center might account for it) expand so much effort and energy in being heard that very little seems to be left over for subtleties of characterization.—H. T.

### Today's Film:

## 'Red Meadows' Interesting Film Of Denmark's Resistance Group

By Jose Yglesias

THE JUSTIFIABLY proud film accounts that different European countries have been sending us of the days of the occupation were yesterday augmented by a new Danish film, *Red Meadows*, which opened at the Stoddard. A story of one underground group's work

RED MEADOWS. Hyperion Films release. Directed by Bodil Ipsen. From Ole Juul's novel of the same name. Shooting script by Leck Fisher. With Poul Reichhardt, Lisbeth Movin, Freddy Kock. At the Stoddard.

in Jutland, the movie is an unpretentious, matter of fact story which flowers frequently into exciting adventures and scenes which characterize the comradeship of the resistance fighters acutely.

*Red Meadows* follows the activities of one member of the underground, Michael Lans, and his girl, both of whom have devoted their life to fighting fascism since the occupation of Denmark. Their work is sabotage and they work closely with their comrades, concentrating on dynamiting factories that are producing for the Nazis. The movie takes them through two "jobs" and through the tortures of a Nazi prison until things have become so close for the two that their comrades smuggle them off to Sweden.

The movie goes about its story in what at first seems a pedestrian fashion until one realizes that what it is doing is giving the ordinary, apparently unheroic semblance of their activities. For when a moment of action comes along, it does not fail to project the drama and suspense of their struggle. And when the movie is done the audience has come to know its

characters as one would have if involved in the action: some closely, intimately, others fleetingly, an expression or a gesture having made them part of one's memory.

AS IN LIFE, too, the underground fighters of *Red Meadows* give expression to their feelings and aspirations in those quiet moments before doing a job or after. The scenes when they meet to plan become a mixture of high purpose and daily living: one is preparing for exams, others banter. But in moments of action, without losing this character of their work, one sees the serious concern and courage that brings them all together.

Although too many of the

scenes in *Red Meadows* are wasted, are perhaps a little too ordinary, it contains one remarkable scene. That is when two of the underground fighters are put together in the same cell on the day they are going to be executed.

Soberly they sit down and begin to reminisce, sometimes laughing bitterly, sometimes speaking ironically, but always so lightly that it seems unbelievable. But a German jailer enters and asks them if they want to see a priest. One of them, without turning round, simply says, "We have no need of your damn padre."

Minor and unpretentious as it is, *Red Meadows* is still more worthy of attention than most of the movies in town.

### 'Thelma Jordon' New Melodrama

THELMA JORDON, yesterday's new movie at the Paramount, is supposed to be the story, one is told toward the end, of how good

THELMA JORDON. Paramount Pictures. Produced by Hall B. Wallis. Directed by Robert Siodmak. Screen play by Ketti Frings. With Barbara Stanwyck, Wendell Corey, Paul Kelly, Joan Tetzel. At the Paramount.

and evil fight it out in the soul of the heroine of the title. As it's presented in the movie it's a belated rationalization for the amorality, violence and just plain bad dialogue that goes on for about 100 minutes. The way Barbara Stanwyck, who of course plays the heroine, redeems herself is by sticking a hot automobile cigarette lighter in the villain's eyes while their car is speeding along.

Miss Stanwyck also kills an aged aunt for money and tricks an assistant district attorney into getting her off by having him throw

the case when it comes to trial. At other times she goes out drinking with the same assistant district attorney to soften him up for the plot she has underfoot. She has an unsavory past while he doesn't like his father-in-law, so that he's ready for the kind of beautiful relationship Miss Stanwyck offers him.

With these plot ingredients the movie builds suspense—in James M. Cain fashion—for a bunch of worthless and stupid human beings. It may not, however succeed in titillating audiences with its immoralities, since the script and action are as worthless as the characters. One can feel sorry for Wendell Corey and Paul Kelly, two good actors who are caught in it. Barbara Stanwyck plays her usual hard character slickly, softening it all up for the love scenes, which apparently are the moments when the good in her comes out, by speaking through her nose.

J. Y.

## French 'Angels of Streets' Banal, Mystical, Unreal

THE PARIS Theater's *Angels of the Streets* is, like the other movies shown there, an example of delicate, muted, technically excellent film making. Unlike *Devil in the Flesh*, however, it is unreal, mystical and so tenuously conceived that it is both boring and reactionary. Its story of a Bethanien convent and of its nuns is carefully handled so that the peripheral life observed there will yield the old banality that simple faith redeems evil.

This little aphorism which Jean Giraudoux apparently felt he recently discovered might have gained more validity in another setting; as it is, it seems disingenuous at best. At worst it defines the neuroticism and hysteria inherent in the life of the nuns as a simple, worthwhile way of life that furthers the myth of the Catholic Church's benevolence and charitable intent. There is little in the story to connect it with Giraudoux's *Madwoman of Chaillot*, except an element of fantasy which, considering the two works' dissimilarities, Giraudoux indulges irresponsibly.

SISTER Anne-Marie, a fervent young novice of the convent, de-

cides to convert a young girl in the jail where the nuns carry on their work of redeeming criminals.

The girl, after leaving prison, shoots the man who had been responsible for her prison term and comes to the convent to take refuge. But, since she is unrepentant, she resents Anne-Marie's solicitude and ends by causing her dismissal from the convent.

In time, however, Anne-Marie returns to the convent mortally ill and lives long enough to provide the girl with such an example of faith that she turns herself in to the police. This story has been told quietly, with many luminous closeups, with the kind of restrained good taste that goes a long way to hide its essential vulgarity. This vulgarity consists in making the nun's scavenging among the wretches of the prisons for converts a charitable work; the obscurantism of Catholicism, charming faith; the inhuman will-breaking disciples of Catholic dogma a source of gentle, ironic humor.

GIRAUDOUX's urbanity restrains him, unlike Hollywood's efforts in this direction, from making all the nuns spotless and their convent a heaven on earth. Thus, the young novice's conflicts de-

rive, in part, from some of the minor hypocrites and complacencies that her sisters exhibit. The inhumanity and diffidence, however, are only plot elements that contribute to the triumph of the Order's faith, since they appear as spiritual challenges to the novices.

Actually *Angel of the Streets*, stripped of its intent, has in it another story. It's that of the tragedy of a girl who wants to do good in this world and is sidetracked by the pieties of the Church into pressing an unreal solution upon an unfortunate girl. This round of activities, with her energies met on every side in the convent by hypocrisy and insults lead to her early death—her only "good work" being, tragically enough, to send the other back into the hands of the police and jail.

This story would not be delicate and muted and it would not even have to be technically excellent as a film to be exciting and real.—J. Y.

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## HENRICH HIKE, NOW 3RD HIGHEST YANKEE

The popular "Old Pro" Tommy Henrich became the first of the big name Yankees to sign a 1950 contract yesterday when he approved terms reportedly giving the great outfielder-first baseman a considerable boost over his \$40,000 of last year. After a short

### Set Shots Story Of Upset Night

By Lester Rodney

A look at De Paul in action Tuesday night made one realize that New York's college teams are no longer the ones famous for their deadly accurate set shooting. The under-

rated Chicagoans were more than a rough and tough, hard driving crew, which they were. They were swish kids from the outside. Their all game shooting average was a phenomenal 26 out of 54, and of those no less than eleven were the old fashioned long range two handed sets with the slim Vukovich whistling the cords on 6 of 9 tries!

This of course was a good part of the reason for the 74-68 verdict over St. Johns. A combination of

in close with the usual pattern, LIU trailed 10-1 and in the end paid the penalty for this start against a club which was full of fire and life and showed one of the season's greats in fleet, fast moving and fast thinking Sam Ranzino, who has improved tremendously over last year's soph appearance.

The marks of a little flatness and staleness were on some of the LIU players, who have been through a tremendous schedule with great success, and the midyear break comes just in time. Feb. 16 vs. still unbeaten Duquesne is their next Garden appearance.

(There was no staleness in the magnificent Sherman White, who battled in his usual 20 points against clouds of opposition. The NC State bench applauded him when he left.)

De Paul soundly earned its victory. In the losers' dressing room the imperturbable Frank McGuire said, "We'll be a better team after we lose about two more." LIU and St. Johns will still be tourney teams in spite of this one disenchanted evening, and so will CCNY, and we hope, North Carolina State and De Paul. The latter's record is much better than that of teams who have played few tough games and therefore boast fine winning percentages.

### Court Notes

Whattya know! Kentucky may not be back for the tourney after all! Georgia knocked off the once mighty Ruppmen 71-60, with a 6-8 center badly outplaying and outscoring the seven foot Spivey. The combination of a defeat in the Garden with two lickings from mediocre southern teams may KO Kentucky's tourney chances this year. . . . Georgetown further deflated the Siena bubble, knocking off the Albany club 47-42. An early overestimation of Manhattan, its Garden victim, plus a pie schedule, contributed to the buildup. . . . Duquesne stayed pure by beating Waynesburgh 57-48 and Holy Cross ditto by slugging Providence 64-56, without Cousy, who was out with a cold. These are the only two unbeaten, but I give you LIU over Duquesne right now.

height and drive underneath with accurate outside shooting is very tough to beat. New York's teams, with the advent of big men, are bigger and generally better, but may be unconsciously going a little overboard in orienting their scoring entirely around the big men in the post.

This was seen in the opener, in which sound North Carolina State with a careful plan of action nipped LIU 55-52 to round out the first double defeat for our local heroes on the Garden floor (a measure of the local clubs' general improvement). The Indians from Raleigh "collapsed" their defense to hamstring LIU's big men, and the Brooklynites waited much too long to start taking advantage of the men afforded outside. More balance in this respect can be looked for in future games. For the scoring power from outside is still there, as witness the marks of 4 out of 6 for Eddie Card and 3 out of 4 for Dick Feustado, figures which simply scream, why didn't they start shooting earlier and more often to bring the defense out?

The answer is not in Coach Clair Bee's unawareness of the situation, but in the momentum of a new pattern and style which has brought success and is hard to change for the players involved. Real greatness in a team is marked by its mastery of the ability to use tactics best designed to overcome the defense of the moment.

After almost nine minutes of futile attempts to score solely from

conference with general manager George Weiss, Henrich came out of the New York press's office and expressed satisfaction with the terms. Only Joe DiMaggio, whose 1949 pact called for \$100,000, and Babe Ruth, whose top figure was \$80,000, ever received more from the Yankees than Henrich will in 1950. Lou Gehrig's top figure was about \$42,000.

"We have mailed out 34 contracts," Weiss revealed to reporters. "That covers everybody except Joe DiMaggio. He will be here in town next week and will confer with me."

Weiss also revealed that three rookies had signed. They were pitcher Dick Carr and outfielder Pete Gentile, and Clark Wotowicz, all up from the Yankees' Norfolk, Va., farm club.

Henrich's new contract followed a season in which he took over as the Yankees' leader—the "old pro" who stepped into the breach when it became clear that DiMaggio would be lost during the early part of the season and perhaps for the entire year.

Henrich's batting figures—85 runs batted in and a .287 average—were impressive enough but it was the leadership qualities and his performances under pressure that got him the new contract. Supposedly sidelined for the season with a broken vertebrae he returned to action within two weeks when the American League race was in its height.

### Feller Takes \$20,000 Cut

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 18 (UP).—The Cleveland Indians today signed Bob Feller to his 1950 contract with a "rather drastic cut in salary."

A Tribe spokesman said Feller had been given a straight contract with no bonus clauses and had "voluntarily accepted a rather drastic cut in salary."

Neither Feller nor the Tribe management would hint as to the amount of the cut, but estimates are that it is about \$20,000 less than last year's \$70,000 figure.

### Mikan Nite Again

It's rubber game tonight between the Knicks, who have won 4 out of 5, and the champion Minneapolis Lakers, whose great George Mikan is averaging 28.3 per game and leading the league by 200 points!

Press Roundup, a summary of editorial comment in the metropolitan press, appears each day in the Daily Worker.

### N. Y. FINALLY ACTS VS. ABC

The growing fight to kyo the notorious "male whites only" clause in the American Bowling Congress began to get some overdue response from official quarters yesterday when the State Attorney General filed application for an injunction to restrain the ABC from further activity in New York.

The application, filed in the State Supreme Court, charged that

"by practicing, enforcing and compelling discrimination based on race and color, (the A.B.C.) is exercising and carrying out . . . its corporate franchise, privileges, rights, objectives and activities in a manner contrary to the public policy of the state of New York."

A summons and complaint were served on James A. Wilson, treasurer of the ABC.

## In This Corner...

By Bill Mardo

### The Paper With a Future

MAYBE ALL THAT kid wanted for Christmas was his two front teeth—but what we all want for this New Year is 40,000 new Worker readers. The sub drive is coming down the wire and as an old sporting man I'm laying the odds we hit the long ball. The Worker, Daily Worker and its readers is one team that can't lose. We got too much fight, y'know? Maybe not all the depth we'd like—but that's why we're out there punching for half-a-hundred thousand more teammates. Hmm. Anyone notice I just upped the sub quota by 10,000? Well, that's what I mean! That's the way to go! The old drive, the old diggitydog, the old moxie! (What excitement around here all of a sudden like.)

Seriously, though, I don't think I have to con any readers of the Daily and Worker sports pages into going out there and hammering away for subscriptions. You know the score at least as well as anyone standing on this corner. You know what the sports pages of the Big Press have not done—and you know where we stand. You know who it was that stayed silent—and you know who it was that awakened a nation to the hideous lily-white walls in organized baseball. You know the phony excuses and dire predictions of "riots" and what-not those other sports pages printed when they couldn't continue the conspiracy of silence any longer—and you know what paper it was that nailed those lies for what they were and went right on campaigning and organizing and helping to lead the fight to get the Robinsons and Dobys and Newcombes into baseball. You'd never know from the other sports pages that there's a growing campaign to rid tournament bowling of its hideous "For male whites only" clause—but this particular sports section won't rest until that monstrous distortion of "sportsmanship" is wiped off the dirty books of the American Bowling Congress. You know how glibly and calmly some pages treat the professional boxing game. And you know of another paper, the only paper in America to do so, that has proposed a program of ring reform to take the odor of death out of commercial prizefighting.

Yes, you know that with their 30 and 40 men departments and specialists in everything from fishing to marbles (I'm on old immies expert myself) the other sports pages wind up saying nothing by comparison to this paper's with all its limited resources.

Of course there's a reason for this and isn't necessarily a reflection on the men who do sports for the other papers. They, the bulk of them anyway, can't be held responsible for what is or isn't said on the sports pages of the Big Press. They either conform—or look for another job.

Of course even that doesn't work sometimes. The writers on the New York Sun labored long and loyally for Mr. Dewart, but when the time came they never knew what hit them. Which was as tragic but yet as typical a lesson as any of the constant shrivelling-down process of the "Free Press" into the hands of a few. Monopoly is monopoly no matter how you slice it and Dewart's piteous wail about labor costs and his anti-union blather can't cover the truth. Not for a minute. Ask the guys from the Sun who are still walking the streets, adding their numbers to the ever growing ranks of unemployed newspaper men.

Well, yours is one paper that can't ever become monopolized. I guess you knew that all along, huh? The big boys don't want us. We sorta think they stink too. No, they can go on with their mergers, their fancy Wise Woods presses, the two-color streamers on the front page, roving radio jeeps, fleets of delivery trucks and what not. We'd like to have all that, too. And will some day. But with all that, they still stink because the varnish and the tinsel and the slickness can't cover the heart of a newspaper. And the money press has no heart. Just its errand boy message for Wall Street. Hate, hate, hate, war, war, war and red, red, red.

No, I guess we won't ever be playing ball with that filthy crowd. And really, we're so much happier this way. We don't have their loot, the gold that makes all their journalistic pimpery possible, but neither do we have on our hearts and conscience the searing scar of what made such newspaper fortunes possible.

We do have a few other items, however. Things that can't be tabulated in green, but whose value is immeasurable by human standards. We wear our love for people in every line and every stick of type that goes into these pages. And it's right there—in the words "Daily Worker and Worker." But the money press wears a death-mask for its masthead.

We don't have the millions that buy the rotogravures and the delivery trucks. But we have people. And a very wise man once said a nation's greatest capital is its people. We have people who come to our building every night to pick up the paper as it rolls off our tired second-hand old presses purchased, incidentally, from the Wall Street Journal. (Talk about your contradictions!) And we have people who stand on street corners hawking this people's newspaper in rain, snow and storm. They really carry the mail. And we have people who right now are ringing other people's doorbells showing them, telling them of the only newspaper in this country fighting for them and theirs all the time, no stop, no punches pulled, no rest until the threat of wars and chronic depressions and the madness of discrimination is wiped off the books of our country's history once and for all time.

Yes, we have people and we have the truth and we even have history working on our side. So how can we lose, huh? How can we miss racking up those big 40,000 points?

This is your paper. Nothing can change that. Just as nothing can change the fact that your paper has the greatest future of all in the America ahead.

It takes a little fighting, a little legwork, a little belting to win that future, to win that better America.

"Whattya read?" Is he kidding?